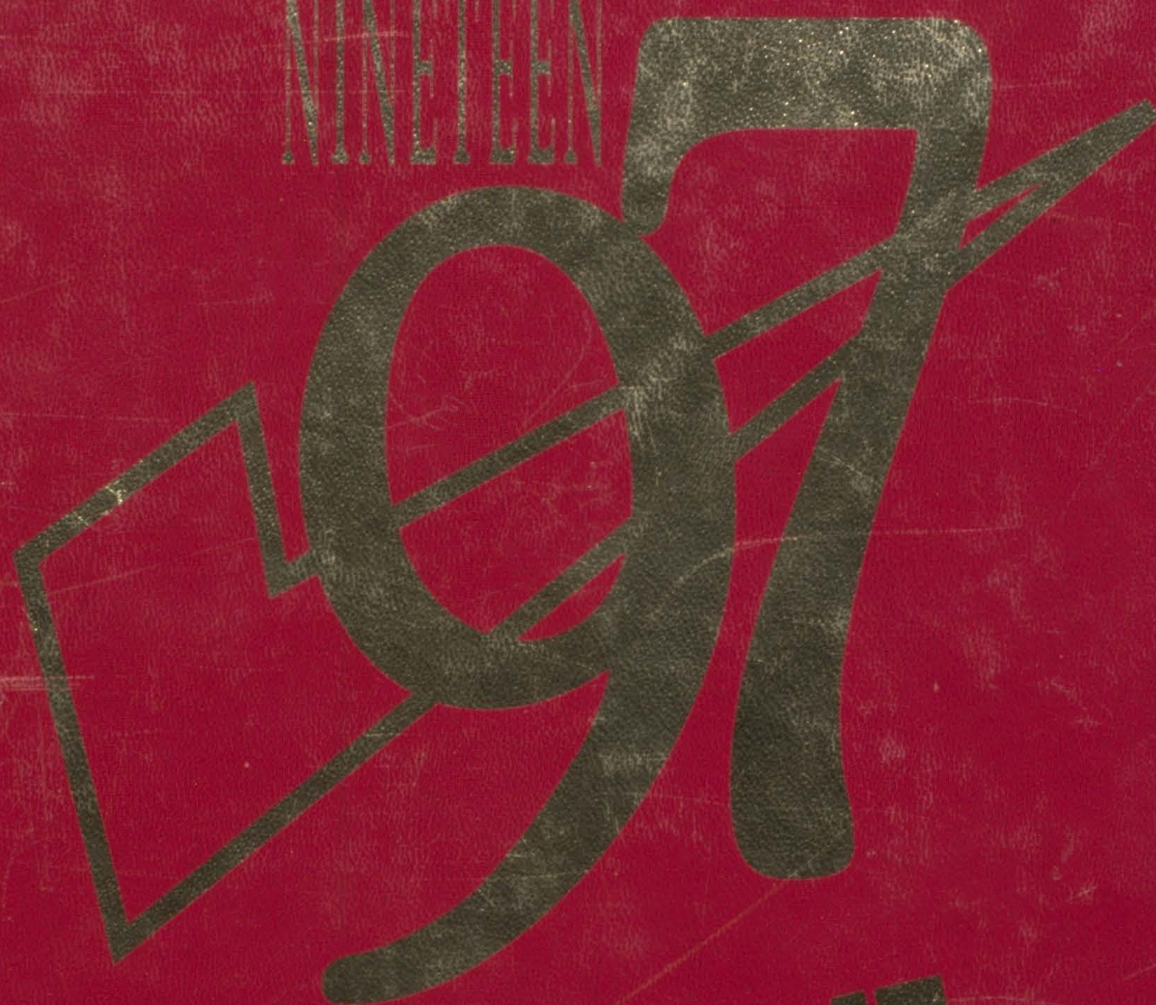
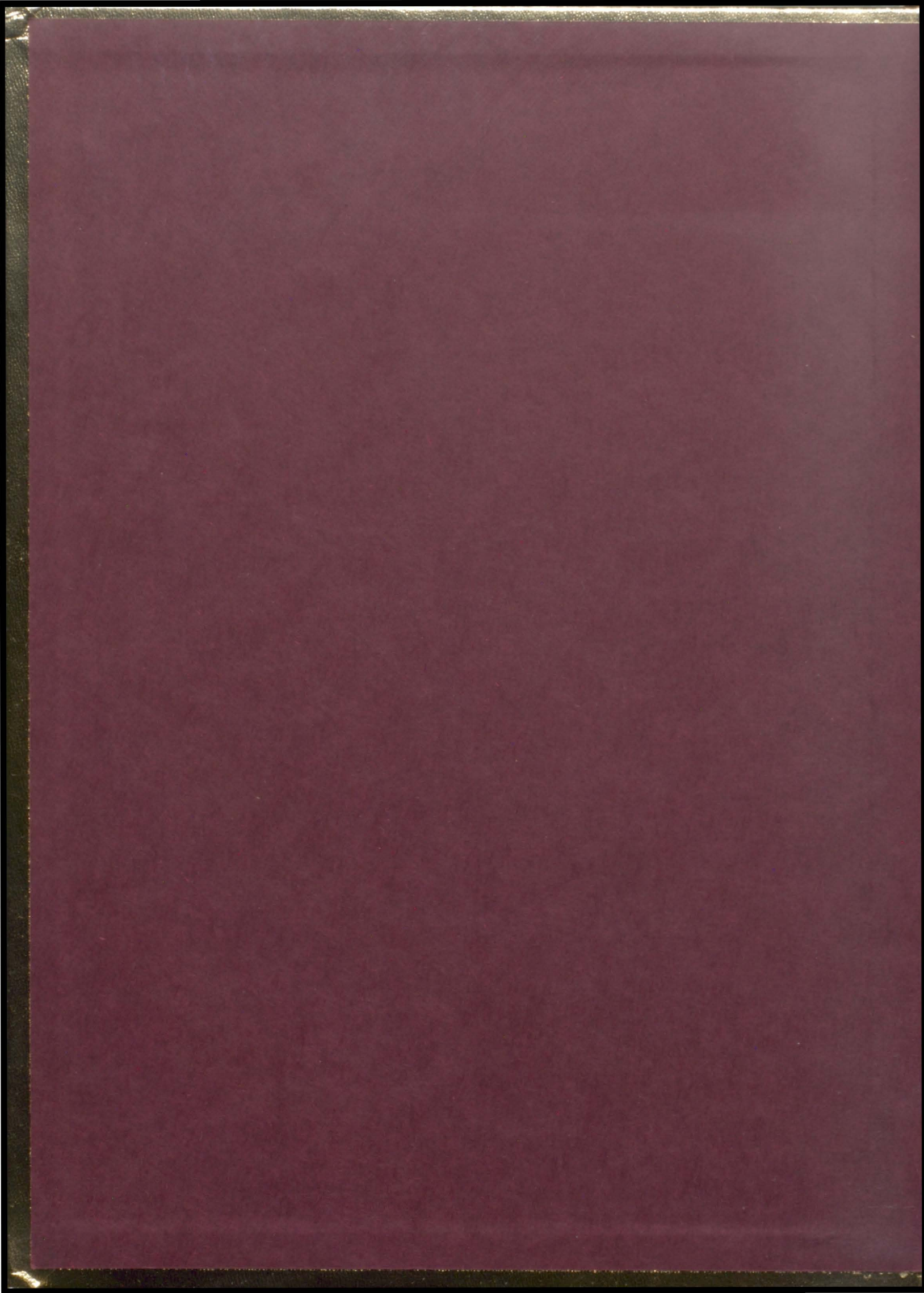


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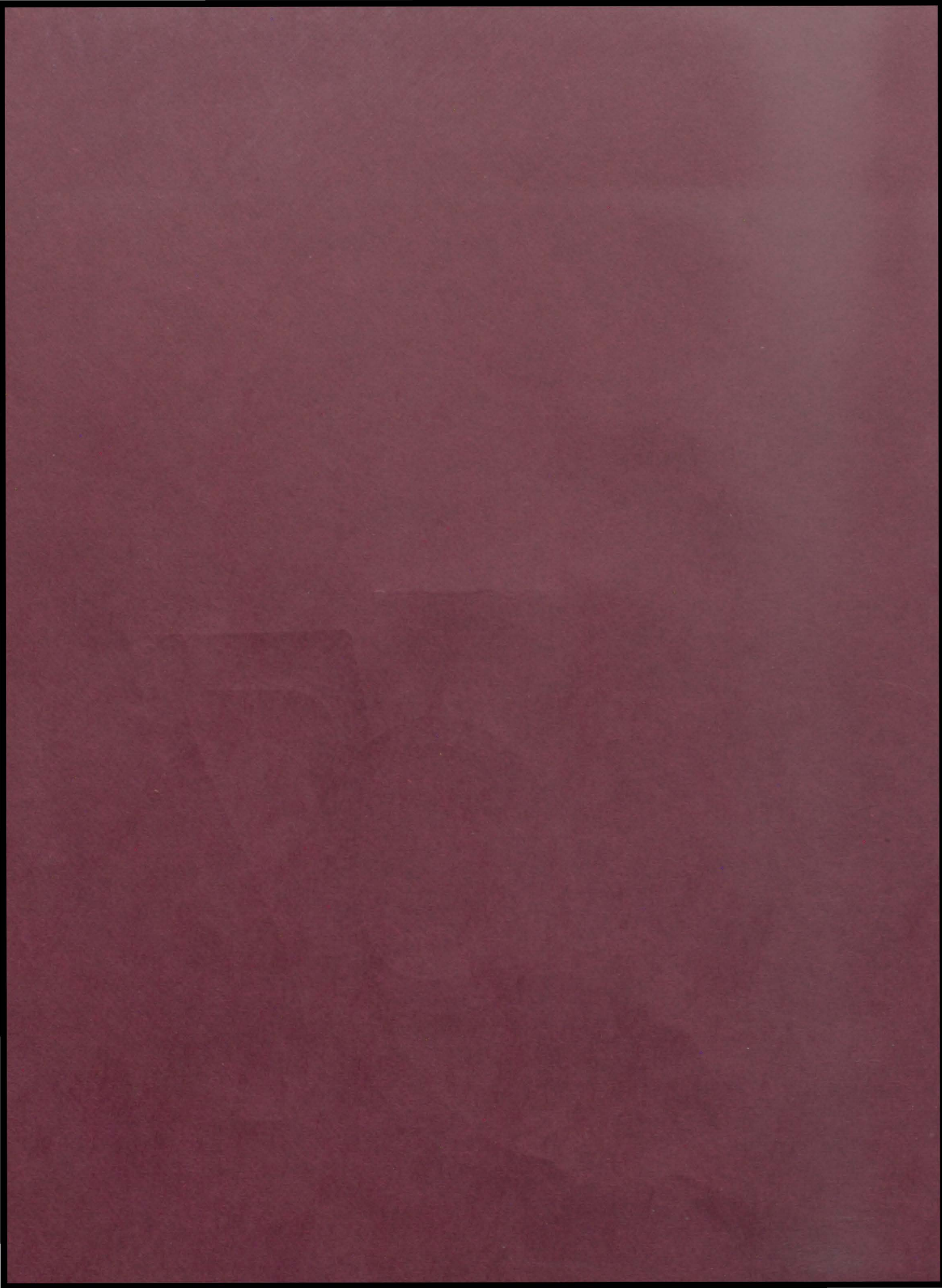
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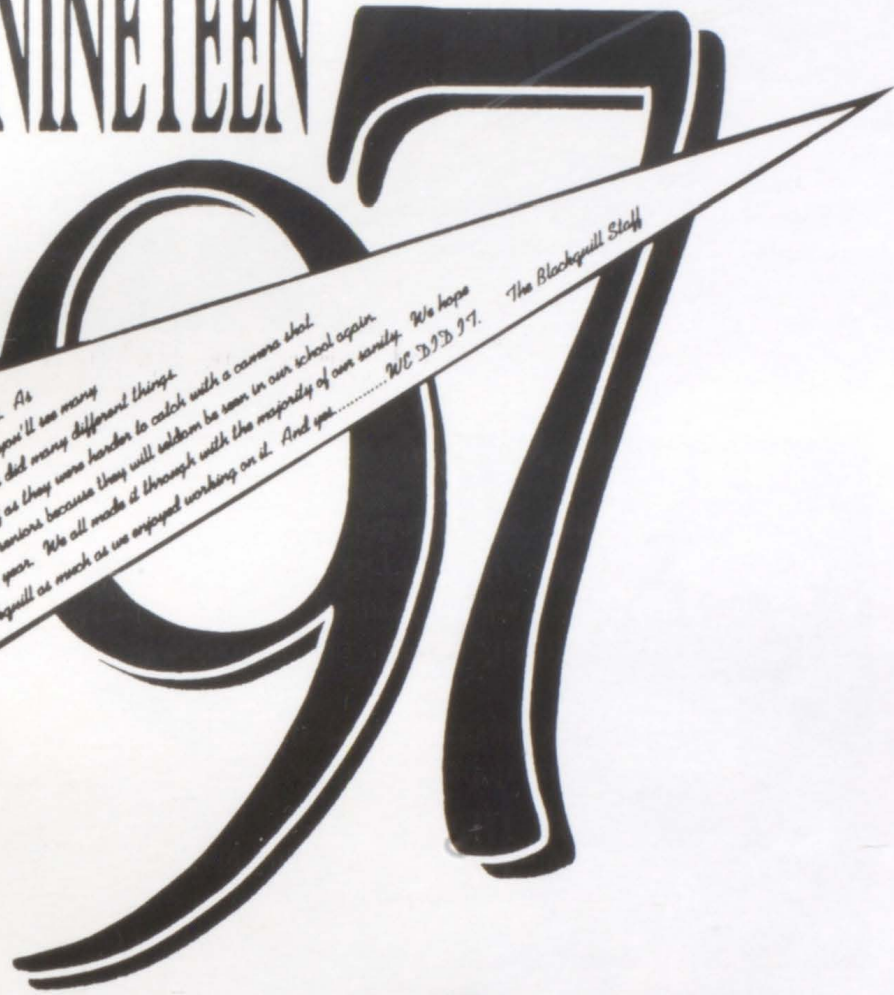


MINISTÈRE

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NINETEEN



Just did it. This theme for the 96-97 Blackquill had many different meanings, but to us it meant just one thing...WE DID IT!! We as individuals, as organizations, and as a school did everything we could to make this a fun and successful year. As you go through the following pages you'll see many of the same faces, because some of us did many different things. Others, you'll see only glimpses of as they were harder to catch with a camera shot. You'll see more glimpses of the seniors because they will seldom be seen in our school again. Nonetheless, it has been a great year. We all made it through with the majority of our sanity. We hope you'll enjoy your 1997 Blackquill as much as we enjoyed working on it. And you..... WE DID IT.

The Blackquill Staff

JUST DID IT.

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Class



Sam Addler

"The path of a righteous man is beset on all sides by the inequities of himself."



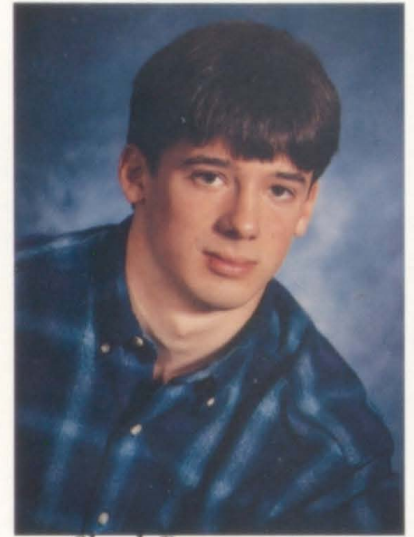
Angelo Alvarado

"High school days have their delights, but they don't compare to weekend nights."



Leah Maureen Anderson

of



Shad Baggenstoss

"Prophecy Fulfilled."



Dean Bergren



Mindy Binkley

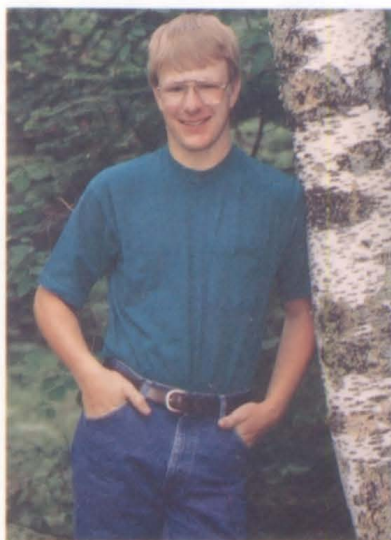
"You have but one life, why not party?"

1997



Gayle Blizil

"Indecision is torture."



Joe Brambrink

"What do you mean I can't have the car? It's mine!!"



Fabiana Chetto

"I do not understand!"



Flann Christenson

"It was the best of times; it was the worst of times."



Jamie Cluff

"I don't look for trouble — it finds me!"



Jeremy Corner

"Why look for better when I've already found the best?"



Ryan Crabb



Justin Dean

"Me, study?"



Nathan Deno

"Life is an adventure . . . so I'll enjoy the ride."

SENIOR HALL

Seniors took inventory of the past 13 years



S. Houseman and S. Merrill were voted as the most entertaining humans of the class of '97.



The tallest . . . J. Hanson and J. Dean.
The vertically challenged (shortest) . . .
S. Merrill, P. Palmer, and R. Nord.



Voted in as class wolf and flirt were D. Moen and J. Pilecki.



J. Gustafson and S. Houseman were the artistic ones.



J. Gustafson . . . teacher's pest!

OF FAME

and voted on who did what the most!



F. Christenson and G. Blizil were the most laughiest and giggliest, tickled pink people of the bunch.



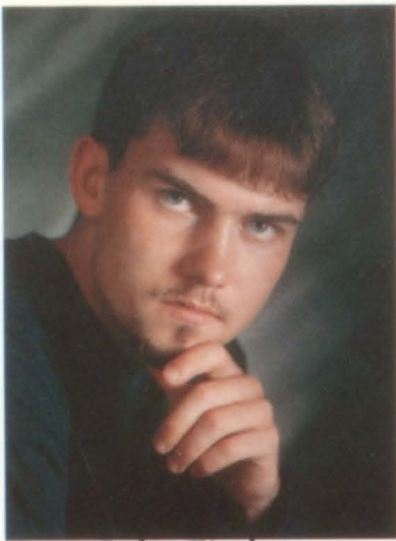
Watch out pedestrians! Voted as the most accident prone -
T. Rockensock and J. Gustafson.



The most dramatic people were N. Deno and S. Houseman.



Personalities with a unique flair:
K. McDermott and S. Merrill. Not
pictured was F. Chetto.



Luke Eischen

"The song has ended but the melody lingers on . . ."

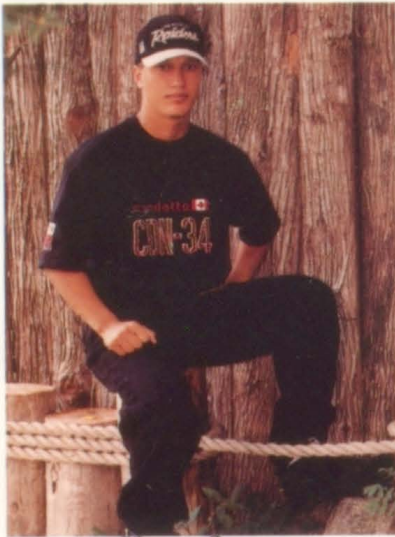


Cory Fellows

"8:35 the bell has rung, 10 minutes later Cory arrives."



Dean Freyholtz



Kurt Gross



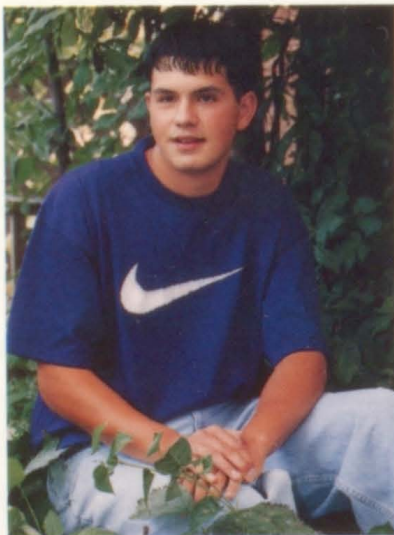
Justin Gustafson

"Just because you're paranoid, it doesn't mean they're not after you."



Jessica Hanson

"She seems shy, but you can never tell."



Jaysen Heyer



Sarah Houseman

"Uh-oh, no more buwits!"



Colleen Hurt

"The only good books I know are the ones I use as a pillows."



Josh Kern

"Like a mirror in the sun, I'm full of wisecracks."



Shawn Knutson

"Never squat with your spurs on."



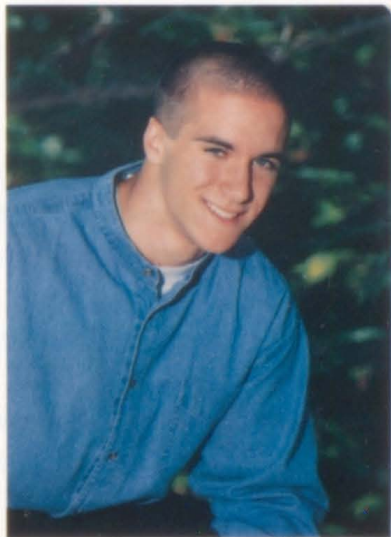
Kayla McDermott

"I can see the rainbow, now for that pot of gold."



John McElmury

"If I'm studying when you come, wake me up."



Scott Merrill

"And you never thought I was serious about becoming a Jedi Master."



Tiffany Miller

"Beware I might think of something sensational yet."



Breazy Mitchell

"She's a quiet little lass 'till you see her out of class."



Derreck Moen

"There's a time for work and a time for play, but the time for work is another day."



Kari Moon

"The next day is never as good as the night before."

Now you can do it!

We, the Senior Class of 1997, being of

Sam Addler: Nothing to anybody because I don't have anything left.

Leah M. Anderson: My organizational skills to the ones who need it most: Aricka Mistic, Rachel Mistic, and Tori Carrigan.

Shad Baggenstoss: My blade to Pete "Young Thug" Baggenstoss — just in case he be needin' to use it.

Mindy Binkley: My ability to talk my way out of everything and anything to Amanda Binkley and Sarah Hightshoe.

Gayle Blizil: My insane curfew to Sara Gross so some night she might actually have to be home; my good times in Deutschland to Pol Sorquist to add to his own; and my superior driving ability to Brandon Joy so he can stay out of the ditch.

Josef Brambrink: My ability to do just about anything I want to in class and not get in trouble to Vince Brambrink.

Fabiana Chetto: My accent to all my classmates that tease me.

Jami Cluff: To Kim Shaw my ability to talk to anyone; to Kelly Cluff my ability to go out with P101 and still be able to go out the next night, and also my ability to talk my way out of anything.

Flann Christenson: My ability to have a good time to Clark Christenson, and also my ability to get along to two people who don't (R. & B.)

Jeremy Corner: My title of "Doughboy" to Tony Corner in hopes he may carry on the Doughboy Corner name.

Ryan Crabb: My broken face plate to Brenda Carlson in hopes she can one day fix it and use it.

Nathan Deno: My cheering and catalyst abilities at volleyball games to the Drake Fans, so they can have more fun at the games and "pump up" the team.

Luke Eischen: My ability to play video games non-stop 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and still lose, to Justin Vernlund.

Cory Fellows: My ability to leave at noon my senior year to Bridget Engberg, so she doesn't have to stay here for all 7 hours.

Kurt Gross: Aricka M. to David P. since I took Kari C. with me.

Jessica Hanson: My athletic ability to McKenzi Burmeister, and my ability to have fun and stay out of trouble to James Hanson.

Jaysen Heyer: My speakers, car, and anything that I own to everybody I know because I know too many people.

Sarah Houseman: My yellow rubber toilet cleaning gloves to Nicky Yerbich for those early mornings at Cedar Rapids Lodge.

Colleen Hurt: My ability to get along with all the busdrivers to Carrie Scifres and Tanya Peterson.

Josh Kern: My ability to work on cars to Gary Hazelton so he can do repairs himself without paying for them to be done.

Shawn Knutson: My ability to talk my way out of trouble when I get pulled over by a cop to Kelly Cluff.

Kayla McDermott: My really cool '79 Mustang to my little brother Sean McDermott, and my super flirtaciousness to Kimmy Shaw so she can pick up lots of guys.

John McElmury: My title page of my unfinished career paper to Mr. Schram so he can finish it and give me an "A".

Senior Wills

sound minds and bodies, do hereby will

Scott Merrill: My imperial greatness to Chance Adams; my ability to put up with Tim Grace's singing in the car to Justin Wellcome; and my memory to Tori Carrigan, so she can remember all of her embarrassments.

Tiffany Miller: My ability to laugh to Kipp Newman, so I can laugh at him.

Breezy Mitchell: My ability to get along with teachers to Sara Mitchell; and to Jennifer Mitchell I leave the ability to bat her big brown eyes and get away with anything.

Derreck Moen: My athletic ability to my brother Tyrone; and my ability to stay out of trouble and still have fun to Jeremy Ficklin.

Kari Moon: To Brenda Carlson my wildness so at the next "gathering" she can be the life of the party like Tonelle and I always are.

Doug Nelson: My dirt bike to Amanda Joy so she can terrorize her little brothers.

Ryan Nord: My drumming ability to Eric Nord so he can keep a steady beat; and my ability to look like I know the answer to Tony and Cody Nord so teachers will avoid calling on them.

Jolene Owen: To Rachel, Tori, and Bridget — my barn, to have lots of Halloween Parties in; and to Bridget many "poofs" in the sleeping bag (hopefully Rachel won't be in it!)

Holly Page: My ability to tear into Tog in band to Sara G.; my best wishes in the closet to Tun; and to Robby (sweetheart) all of the happy memories we had.

Pamela Palmer: My ability to graduate from High School and be able to spell "always" to Jon Rodgers.

Jessica Pilecki: My ability to be happy 5 days out of the week to Rachel Pilecki; and also my ability to pop people's eardrums while cheering at a game to all of the upcoming cheerleaders.

Robert Reisch: To everyone, a set of my car keys so when I lose my set I know I'll have someone to go to when I need some.

Teresa Rockensock: To Adrienna Jirik, the ability to drag bunt in softball and still be able to make it a HOMERUN!

Marcia Shaw: My little white Ford to Kimberly Shaw, so that she can cut curbs as well as I do.

Tonelle Sutton: My nickname "Rumpshaker" to Brenda Carlson, and to my bro Pat, my excellent ability to tell little white lies and not get caught.

Patrick Tjepkes: My ability to sleep through class and not get in trouble to Danny Juelson so he may be well rested when he gets out of school; and to Jeremy Ficklin, my pool playing abilities.

Trevor Tobin: To Eric Van Tassel, my sound mind to help you get your mind off homework because I won't need it anymore.

Jeremy Vernlund: To Dusty Lossing, my ability to go out on a Friday night and do lots of extracurricular activities and still get up early to go to work on Saturday.

Joni Wernberg: To Mark and Tony the ability to go snowmobiling in the dark with their friends and not run over anyone while having fun.

Corey Young: The ability to hack, crack, and phreak computers to Tom Bechtold, so he won't have to bug me about it!

Stephanie Zwirn: To Tony Corner, my little bro, the ability to get grounded by Ma and still go out anyway.

Kari Moon and Tonelle Sutton: To any underclassman our ability to find trouble any day of the week, without ending up in jail or getting an \$88 fine.



Doug Nelson

"If I can't find a way, I'll make one."



Ryan Nord

"There is nothing in life quite as exciting as being shot at and missed."



Jolene Owen

"The harder I try, the gooder to be, the worser I am."



Holly Page

"I'm not arguing, I'm telling you!"



Pam Palmer

"It's the little stars that shine longest."

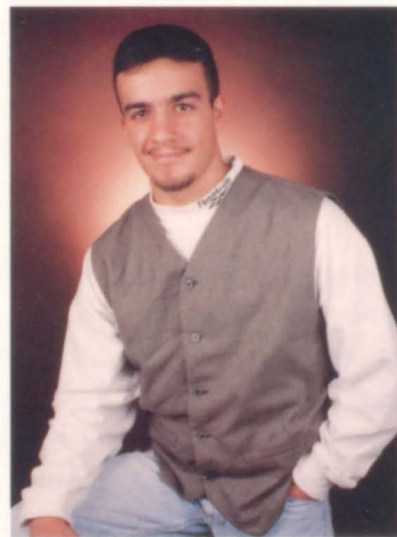


Amy Phinney



Jessica Pilecki

"Her mind never knows what her mouth will say next."



Robert Reisch

"If I was in school as much as I wasn't, I still wouldn't have been there as much as I would have."



Teresa Rockensock

"Some people think it's my blonde hair!"



Marcia Shaw

"Lead me not into temptation...I'll go by my own free will!"



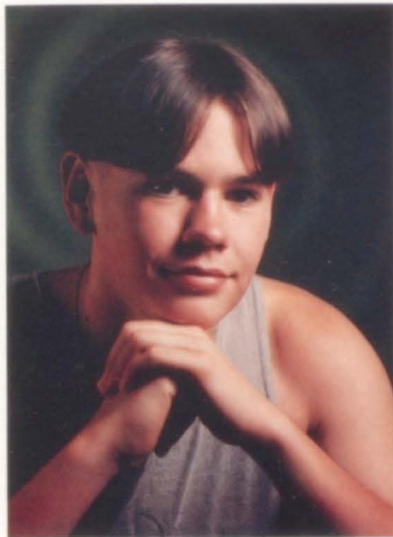
Kevin Stoeing

"It's better to sleep in class than to waste a perfectly good night."



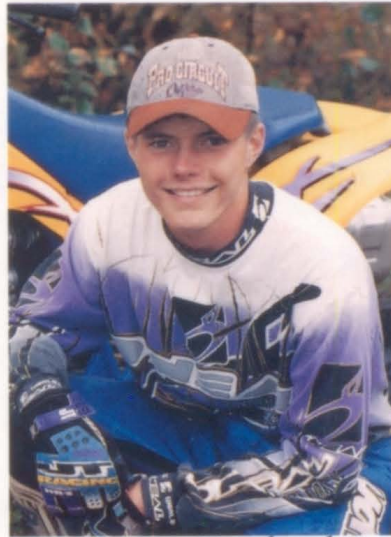
Patrick Tjepkes

"I'm not arrogant, I'm just better than you."



Trevor Tobin

"Heavy Trevy."



Jeremy Verlund

"Play and I'll play with you, work and I'll play alone."



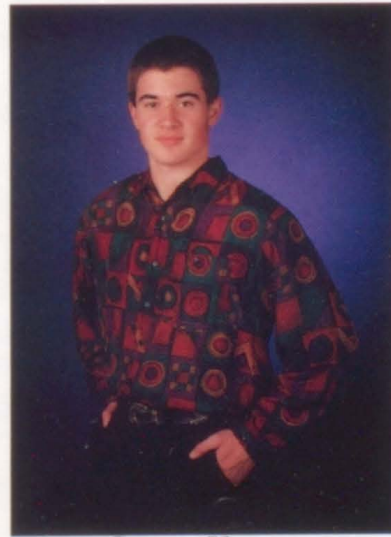
Daryl Wallin

"There are three sides to every story, the right side, the wrong side, and my side."



Joni LaDawn Wernberg

"It's like mind over matter . . . I don't mind and you don't matter!"



Corey Young

"Seeeeyal!"



Stephanie Zwirn

"Love came into her heart one day, just for a visit, and decided to stay."

In Ten Years This Is

Senior

- In ten years, **Sam Addler** will still be trying to convince everyone that he talked to Spud Webb on the phone.
- In ten years, **Leah M. Anderson** will be still trying to figure out why they don't call short-stop, short-base.
- In ten years, **Shad Baggenstoss** will be living the "Thuglife" cuz life ain't nothing but women and money.
- In ten years, **Mindy Binkley** will be still trying to figure out what happened in the 96-97' school year.
- In ten years, **Gayle Blizil** will be on vacation from her chiropractic practice, traveling across Europe talking to gorgeous guys in their native languages never wanting to come back.
- In ten years, **Josef Brambrink** will be the head pilot for Valujet.
- In ten years, **Fabiana Chetto** will be coming back to Blackduck.
- In ten years, **Flann Christenson** will be playing harmonica at an all night bar trying to support his family.
- In ten years, **Jami Cluff** will be still trying to figure out what happened last weekend.
- In ten years, **Jeremy Corner** will be driving "The Boat" around in search of a second mustang to restore.
- In ten years, **Ryan Crabb** will be at the head of the click by beating Justin Wellcome at paper, rocks, and scissors.
- In ten years, **Justin Dean** will be meeting Cory Fellows after work to ride snowmobiles into Highway Host for pie.
- In ten years, **Nate Deno** will be having fun and probably still not sure what he's doing, but making sure it gets done.
- In ten years, **Luke Eischen** will still be hoping that Stephanie's parents will let her stay out at least past 9:00 on weekends.
- In ten years, **Cory Fellows** will be flying a cargo plane full of rubber doggie doo doo out of Hong Kong.
- In ten years, **Kurt Gross** will be living in Nashville making the big bucks, married to Shania Twain.
- In ten years, **Justin Gustafson**, with Scott Merrill will be in a no-talent high impact alternative band known as "White-Riot" releasing their first album "Moshing to the sounds of the grill", but still needing an I.D. to get into R-rated movies.
- In ten years, **Jessica Hanson** will still be going to Nate's every Friday and Saturday night to play cards with Sarah, Nate, and Derreck.
- In ten years, **Jaysen Heyer** will be living in a big city as far away from Blackduck as possible.
- In ten years, **Sarah Houseman** will still be listening to Ricki song #8 in Mr. Nissen's class.
- In ten years, **Colleen Hurt** will be still trying to think of what to put down for the senior prophesy.
- In ten years, **Josh Kern** will be working for everything he ever wanted when he was in high school.
- In ten years, **Shawn Knutson** will be living with his girlfriend on a ranch in Colorado.
- In ten years, **Kayla McDermott** will still be trying to convince Gia her name isn't Tom Petty.

What We'll Be Doing . . .

Prophecies

- In ten years, **John McElmury** will be still working on that stupid career paper which Schram wouldn't take.
- In ten years, **Scott Merrill** will be "Don" of the first Irish/ Scandinavian Mafia, building his empire by selling illegal spam in the U. S. and still setting things on fire to amuse his friends.
- In ten years, **Tiffany Miller** will be happily married to someone living somewhere and enjoying life.
- In ten years, **Breazy Mitchell** will be asking herself what she was doing the night before.
- In ten years, **Derreck Moen** will be playing baseball for the San Diego Padres, football for the Minnesota Vikings, basketball for the Chicago Bulls and trying to coach the Tri-City Legion team for extra money.
- In ten years, **Kari Moon** will be married to Brad Pitt and swimming with the dolphins.
- In ten years, **Doug Nelson** will be winning the lottery's BIG jackpot of a quarter billion dollars and not paying a cent in taxes.
- In ten years, **Ryan Nord** will still be working on his TOYLET while working as an engineer for Gerber, trying to develop a toilet that flushes as quiet as the wind.
- In ten years, **Jolene Owen** will still be driving her blue Grand Am on Friday flagging down people to see what's happening.
- In ten years, **Holly Page** will still be making up homework from being sick, while being happily married to Robby living out west and having a high phone bill from collect calls from Joni saying she's sorry for running me into the tree.
- In ten years, **Pamela Palmer** will be sitting in her driveway still trying to start her old Ford Mustang.
- In ten years, **Jessica Pilecki** will be working at Yellowstone as a park ranger and in her spare time she will be the official chaperone for the FFA Boundary Waters trip.
- In ten years, **Teresa Rockensock** will still be calling her parents to get her extra set of car keys because she locked her others in the car again.
- In ten years, **Marcia Shaw** will still be waiting for Egg to call (again), and still trying to remember what happened last Friday with Jami and Mindy.
- In ten years, **Kevin Stroeing** will still be wondering if he should fix his Dodge or buy a new pick-up.
- In ten years, **Tonelle Sutton** will have 8 kids, divorced from six men, pregnant with the ninth and trying to get another divorce so she can marry "The One".
- In ten years, **Patrick Tjepkes** will be retired and living off the profits of winning the lottery.
- In ten years, **Trevor Tobin** will be touring the world with his band "Tea".
- In ten years, **Jeremy Vernlund** will be still trying to pay off his fine before he gets another one.
- In ten years, **Daryl Wallin** will be raking leaves while getting stuffed.
- In ten years, **Joni Wernberg** will be coaching basketball and teaching the team all of the impertinent drills Mr. Liapis taught her.
- In ten years, **Corey Young** will be making his own hacking programs, while in jail for hacking.
- In ten years, **Stephanie Zwirn** will be relaxing in the Bermuda Triangle, while waiting for someone to rescue her.



At left: Justin Gustafson, Shad Baggenstoss and Sam Addler at prom looking unusually dashing.

Below: Jessica Pilecki and Scott Merrill, all ready to knock them dead.

Not Pictured:
 Gary Hazelton
 Giashamena Atkinson
 Tommy Kuhlman
 Tonelle Sutton
 "Love them all, you
 might miss a good one."
 Dustin Washington



Class Colors:
 Hunter Green and
 Silver

Class Flower: Rose

Class Motto:
 "Though we can't
 see the future, we'll
 remember the past:
 And our dreams
 will keep us moving
 'til we reach them
 at last."



The Senior class officers: Ryan Nord, Treasurer; Sarah Houseman, President; Jeremy Corner, Vice President; and not pictured Nate Deno, Secretary.

Seniors of 1997

We Did It!

This is what we used to do . . .

S. Addler
A. Alvarado



Far right: C. Fellows,
R. Reisch, J. Dean, J.
Gustafson, R. Crabb,
F. Christenson, D.
Wallin, S. Addler, and
C. Crowson. Let's
party!



L. Anderson
S. Baggenstoss



M. Binkley
G. Blizil
F. Chetto
F. Christenson
J. Corner

R. Crabb

Inset: S.
Baggenstoss and C.
Fellows elf around.



J. Dean
N. Deno

L. Eischen
C. Fellows
K. Gross
J. Gustafson
J. Hanson





S. Houseman
C. Hurt
J. Kern



Inset: Front: P. Palmer, T. Sutton, K. Moon, S. Houseman.
Back: L. Traver, J. Hanson, S. Mattson.



J. McElmury
S. Merrill
T. Miller



H. Page
P. Palmer
J. Pilecki



Inset: S. Houseman took out her frustrations on S. Merrill!



T. Rockensock
M. Shaw
J. Vernlund



D. Wallin
J. Wernberg
C. Young
S. Zwirn



She just did it: From Brazil to Blackduck, Fabiana Chetto!

When Fabiana decided to become part of the foreign exchange program, she had no idea that she would end up in a place where "it is so cold!"

Fabiana is staying with Norman and Billie Jean Gross. Here, she says, she has two parents, a brother and a sister. Back in Brazil she has parents and two older sisters. The thing Fabiana likes best about Brazil is that it is home, and her favorite pastime there was anything on the beach.

Fabiana didn't have a favorite class in Brazil, and her most challenging class there was Portuguese. Here in America her most challenging classes are English and Geography, and her favorite classes here are Advanced Biology and Physics.

The classes are taught differently here than in Brazil, says Fab. In Brazil the students don't choose their classes, everyone takes Portuguese (literature, grammar and writing), English, math, physics, chemistry, biology, history, and geography. There are no other classes like art or business, there are at least 45 people in the classroom, and the students don't change classrooms — rather, teachers rotate from room to room.

Fabiana's favorite thing to do here is attending school games, and the color she takes a shine to is dark blue. Fabiana thinks that there are differences in how people treat each other here, most notably in the relationships between students and teachers. She says that here students and teachers are more friendly. In Brazil, states Fabiana, students are much more respectful towards all adults, talk more with them, and make sure that they always greet the adults.

Other than all the winter gear, Fabiana says that people here dress the same way people do in Brazil. Of the elections held here in November, Fabiana says they are similar to those in Brazil, except that citizens are obliged to vote, election day is a holiday; and no alcohol can be sold in Brazil on election day.

Fabiana liked Brazilian music better than American music when she first came here, and her views have not changed, despite the valiant efforts of alternative and country fans in her physics class.

Being in Blackduck for her senior year gives Fabiana many advantages, she says, such as the experience of living in a different culture and learning the language.

Of Blackduck Fabiana says, "It is a nice small town, and there are wonderful people in it." Thank you for coming, Fabiana! Good luck in all of your future endeavors!



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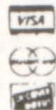
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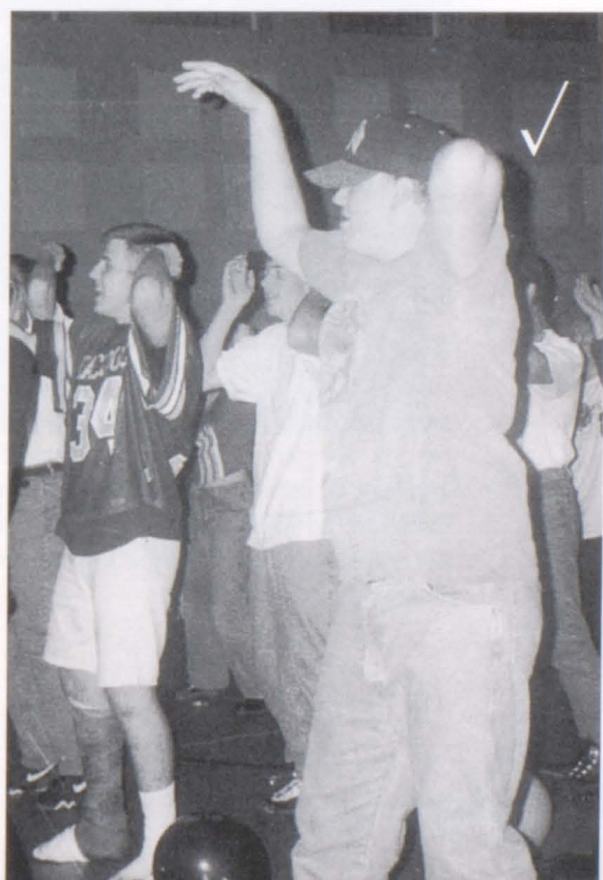


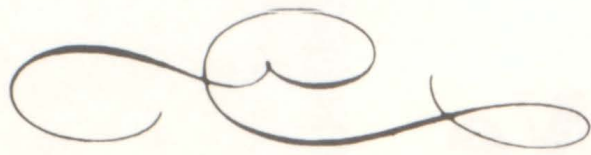
Top Left: This guy is just doing it.

Top Right: Brooke Andler and Wendy Sorquist design their hallway for the annual Deck the Halls competition.

At Left: Stephanie Zwirn smiles at the camera while waiting for Pep Band to start.

At Right: Nate Bennett and Nate Deno do their version of the macarana at the Homecoming dance.





Blackduck High School

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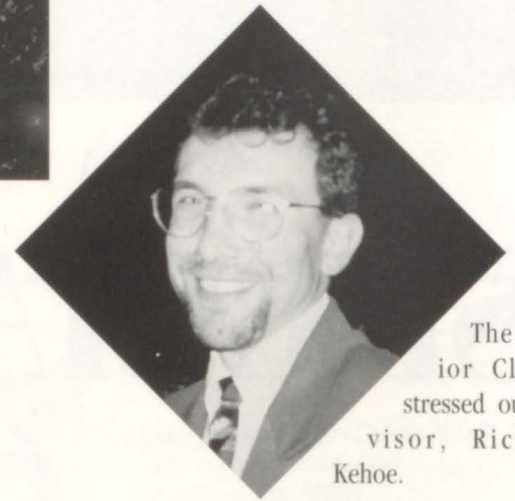
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Back row left to right: J. Wernberg, T. Rockensock, H. Page, J. Pilecki, Advisor R. Kehoe, J. Hanson, S. Houseman, G. Blizil, and P. Palmer. Front row left to right: S. Merrill, J. Corner, N. Deno, D. Moen, and L. Eischen.

Prom Committee

"The people who made the magic possible"



The Junior Class's stressed out advisor, Richard Kehoe.

1995-96 Seniors



Front row left to right: M. Hower and M. Landis. Second row: B. Lundberg, R. Gross, K. Clayton, and H. Gross. Third row: J. Hurt, T. Gross, M. Paine, A. Gross, M. Schram, V. Vannett, M. Larson, T. Kuhlman, and J. Yerbich. Fourth row: B. Krueger, E. Dufseth, B. Dietel, S. Pater, D. Hallik, C. Frenzel, J. Vernlund, G. Rockensock, C. Tjepkes, H. Lossing, K. Trimble, and M. Bradseth. Back row: L. Schumann, J. Loeken, J. Krabbenhoft, Z. Kovar, Z. Randa, T. Cornell, D. Juelson, L. Anderson, G. Dietrich, J. Ross, S. Pomp, R. Ferdig, C. Henriksen, and A. Hazelton.

After Prom Activities

Many people participated in after prom activities after the dance that ended at midnight. The first activity was bowling at midnight at the Blackduck Bowling Lanes. Next, those who wanted to, went to the Legion at about 1:30 A.M. Food and games were provided. After checking in, we received play money to "gamble" with, such games as poker and blackjack were played. Money was also given to those who dared to sing Karaoke. At the end of the night an auction was held for many prizes, in which we used the money we had gained or lost throughout the night. And at last the few people that made it through the night had a breakfast at Gramma Ducks. Everything was free and donated by the community.

1996



Theme: "When I Look Into Your Eyes"



Robby Tennant, Holly Page, Stephanie Zwirn, and Luke Eischen smile as they wait for the parental units to finish taking pictures.

1995-96 Juniors



Front left to right: A. Alverado and S. Baggenstoss. Second row: R. Nord, J. Wernberg, T. Rockensock, S. Zwirn, J. Pilecki, H. Page, and R. Reisch. Third row: B. Mitchell, C. Hurt, J. Gustafson, G. Blizil, J. Hanson, S. Houseman, L. Anderson, K. McDermitt, P. Palmer, and S. Merrill. Back row: N. Deno, J. Corner, S. Addler, L. Eischen, J. Dean, K. Stroeing, D. Moen, and F. Christenson.



Ryan Nord and Joni Wernberg try the "Classy" look.



Jessica Pilecki, Tog Anderson, and Tori Carrigan bowl after prom.

1995-96 Sophomores



Back row left to right: H. Martinez, R. Mistic, T. Carrigan, B. Engberg, A. Mistic, T. Bechtold, and T. Anderson. Front row: J. Rodgers, R. Tennant, and J. Ruzicka.



Scott Merrill and Derreck Moen joke around after the Grand March.



Lucky "Angerella" (A. Alvarado) captures the "Prince's" (T. Rockensock) heart even while being on crutches!!

As always, each candidate pair performed a skit. Angelo and Teresa did a spoof of "Cinderella" called, "Angerella". Kevin and Leah did "Stroe White and the Seven Football Players and an EMT". Finally Sam and Joni acted out "Ignorant Minds". The crowd's laughter proved the skits to be a huge success.



The Fairy Godmother (Mr. Deno) grants Angerella "his" wish.



Fortunately, the EMT (J. Mystic) could help lovely Stroe White (L. Anderson) and her new found king (K. Stroeing)!



A regular day in the classroom of "Ignorant Minds".



Crippled Angerella in "his" midnight pumpkin.

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R. Tennant, S. Merrill, and J. Corner on "Hat Day".



"Al Borlan Day" brought out the flannels!



At Left (Top Photo): A. Andler, M. Theisen, B. Crabb. (Bottom Photo): T. Moshier, R. Smith, K. McNeil, C. Green.

The Homecoming Volleyball Game



After Corination, G. Blizil, S. Houseman, and S. Addler compare notes.



Pep Band rocks the house!



Danceline's 1st performance of the year



Scottie teaches Sam to be "studly".



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Seniors: L. Anderson, T. Rockensock, J. Wernberg

FALL HOMECOMING



Front: A. Alvarado (King) and T. Rockensock (Queen) Back Row: J. Hanson, A. Mystic, D. Pater, J. Wernberg, S. Addler, K. Stroeing, L. Anderson, A. Pomp, L. Lahr, and B. Carlson

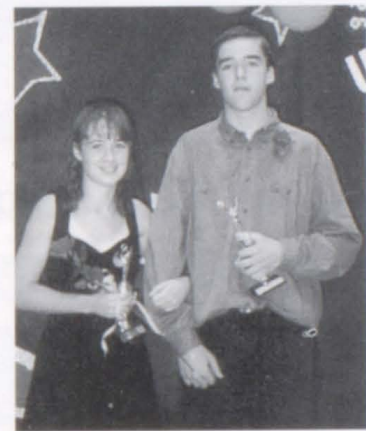
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11th Grade:
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9th Grade:
B. Carlson & J. Hanson

We Sure Did It All Right...

King Scott Merrill and Queen Jessica Hanson



King Candidate Shad Baggenstoss and Queen Candidate Sarah Houseman



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King Candidate Nathan Deno and Queen Candidate Fabiana Chetto



Snowweek Attendants



The 1997 Snowweek attendants, from left: Seventh graders Jamie Young and Ryan Anderson; Eighth graders Angela Freeman and Justin Gross; Freshmen Wendy Sorquist and Ken Novak; Sophomores Layne Backer and Jon Ross; and Junior attendants Megan Meade and Robert Tennant.

...Snowweek '97

Snowweek Pep Fest '97



J. Hanson gazes fondly at her hero, S. Merrill, after he saves her from the evil ones (namely, C. Adams and J. Gustafson.) Jessica finally carried her hero out the door!



S. Merrill, the salesman of Buster's New and Used Kings, introduces Ole' Reliable (Mr. D. Houseman) as a possible king for S. Houseman.



The king and queen candidates and attendants who did not participate in the activity days of Snowweek had to wear "I'm a Dunce! I lack Spirit!" caps and sing "Maroon and Gold Forever" in front of the whole student body. Those pictured are, from left: S. Merrill, R. Tennant, K. Novak, J. Ross, L. Backer, S. Baggenstoss, and F. Chetto.



A contest was held among the representatives to see who was the best dressed within an allotted period of time, in which the paired attendants and candidates dressed each other up with selected articles of clothing in garbage bags. Those pictured, from left: L. Backer, J. Ross, W. Sorquist, M. Meade, R. Tennant, A. Freeman, S. Baggenstoss and S. Houseman.

Special Events



Just a few of those who showed their spirit on "Weird Wednesday": A. Kiewatt, A. Moshier, T. Weber, B. Utley, C. Scifres, T. Peterson, and S. Knutson colored their hair for the day.



A Tug-O'-War contest between the female teachers and female basketball players yielded a win for the teachers. From left: Mrs. Mistic, Mrs. Slindee, Mrs. Moen, Mrs. Deno, Mrs. Nordlie, Mrs. Swenson, Mrs. Barott, and Mrs. Pilloud.



J. Wellcome, A. Patton, and A. Bilinski ham it up at the Snowweek dance.

The 1997 Snowweek, "Memories of A Moonlight Snowata", sponsored by the Student Council, was a great success. The Pep Fest, which was to be held on Thursday, January 16th, was postponed until Friday because school was cancelled by the governor due to the extreme cold weather. As a result, the Snowweek skits and the coronation were held on the same day — Friday, the 17th. The spirit days were Midwinter Monday - students wore winter gear; Tropical Tuesday - Bermuda shirts and sandals were key; Weird Wednesday - students dressed in clothing considered being a deviation from normal wear and dyed their hair; Theme-Day Thursday (which never happened) - students would have dressed as their favorite musical artist; and Cheek-Cheer Friday - students were to buy colorful tattoos to show their spirit except the tattoos never came in. The tattoos were available during the Boy's basketball game with Red Lake. Congratulations to the Student Council for another successful annual tradition!



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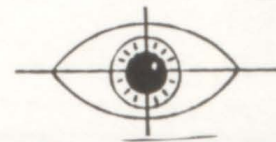
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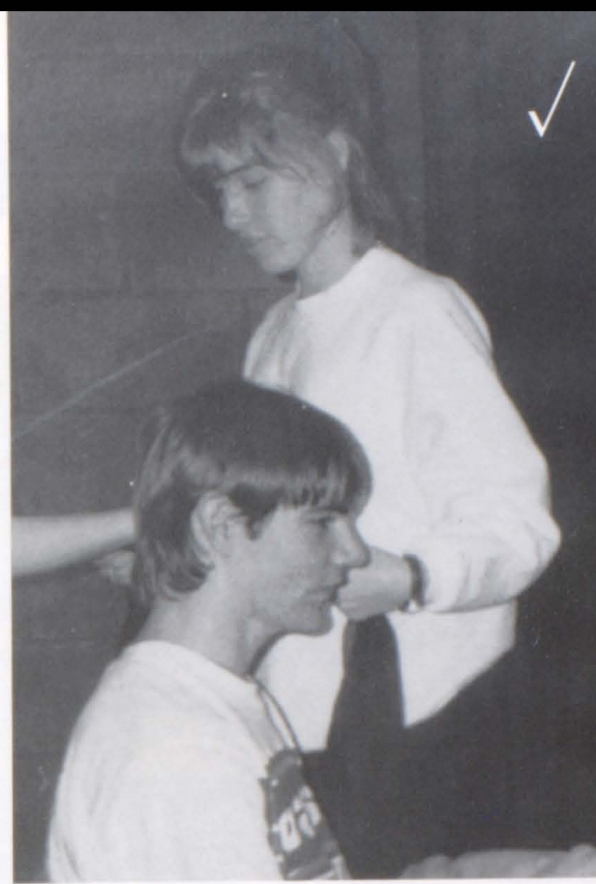
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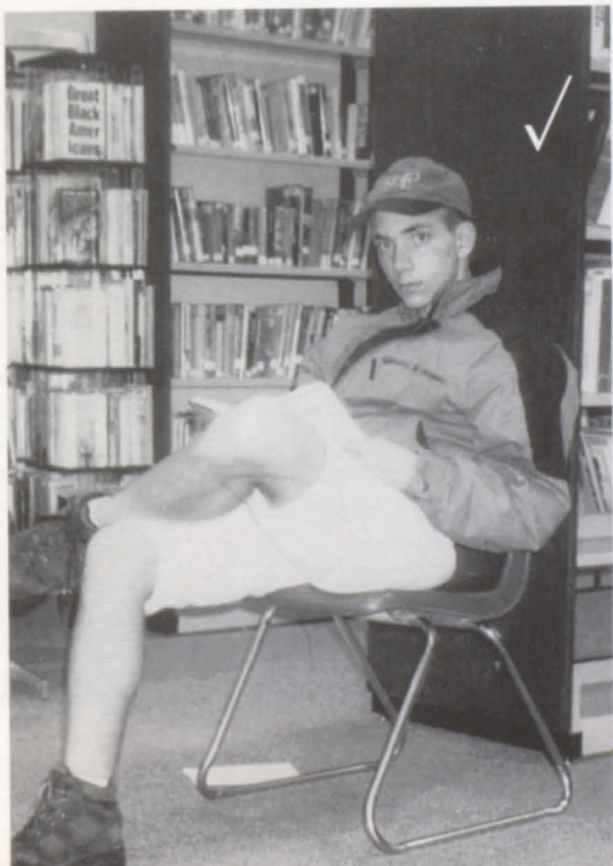
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STUDENTS ✓



Top Left: Eighth grader Leanne Sunell, "hangin out" after school.

Top Right: Sophomore Cheryl Tjepkes and Junior Anthony Balsiger, wait for One Act Play practice to begin.

At Left: Sophomore Chip Adams, absorbed in a good book during Achievement Day.

At Right: Senior Scott Merrill kids around with underclassman John Addler.



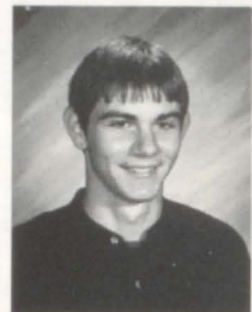
Juniors...



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Anthony Balsiger
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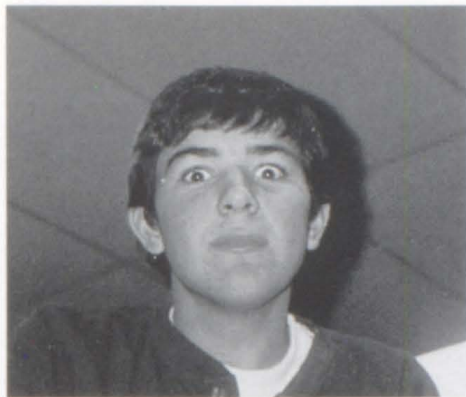
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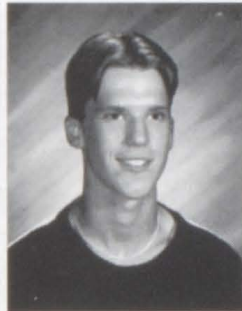
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C. Nord practices his hypnotizing skills?



B. Engberg smiles (because she sees just fine?) while
S. Baggenstoss frowns due to a lack of vision.



Jeremiah Freyholtz
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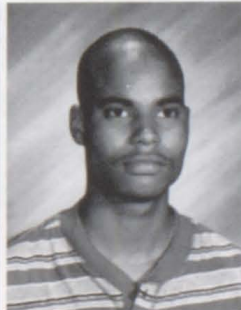
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Our junior class officers, from left: Lou Andresen, vice-president; Rachel Mistic, president; Karen Gieser and Robert Tennant, co-secretary/treasurer.



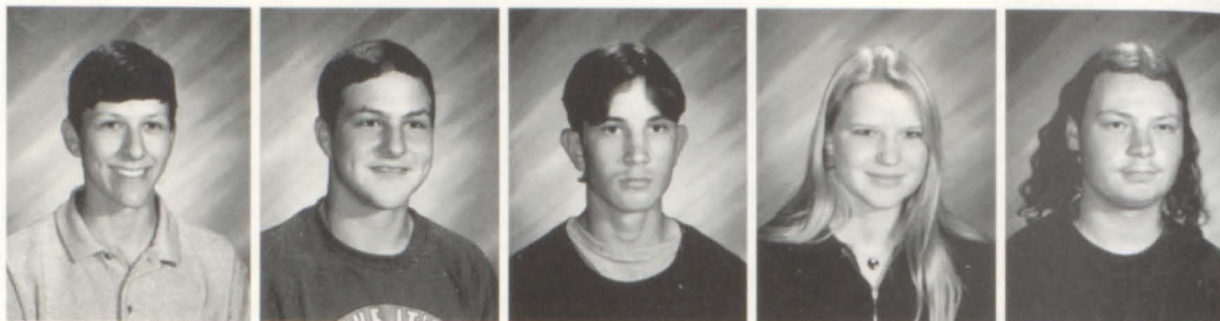
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A. Mystic enjoys her sucker while peeking at J. Ruzicka on the next page. Hey! What's this thing with suckers?

Megan Meade
Aricka Mystic
Rachael Mystic



Becky Nelson
Charles Nelson
Kipp Newman
Chad Nord
Eric Nord



...Graduate!



Melissa O'Brien
David Pater
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Cynthia Rederth
Brett Roush



Christopher Roy
Justin Ruzicka
Diana Salmonson



Matthew Sheppard
David Sizer
Franklin Skinaway



Leah Supan
Roxanne Sweedman
Robert Tennant



J. Ruzicka simply cannot express how delicious this sucker is!



Wahkuna Therriault
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Justin Wellcome

Sophomores Check Out the Fun in Everything ✓



Chip Adams

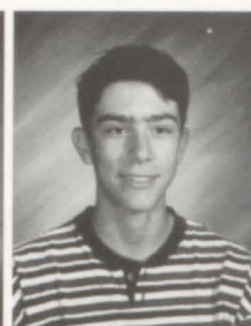


Chris Alvarado



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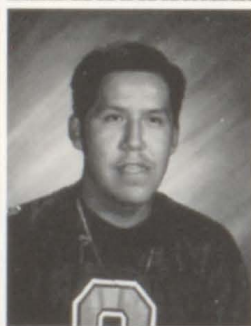
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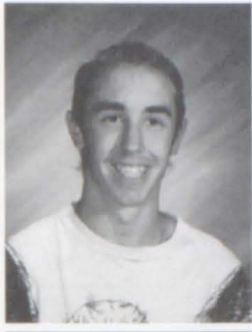
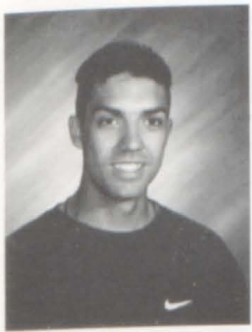


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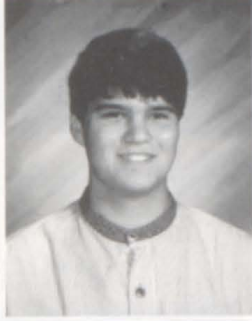
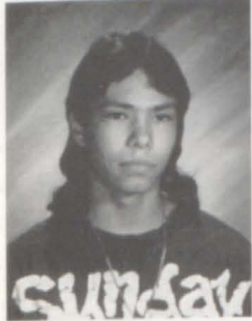


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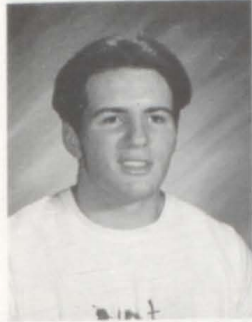




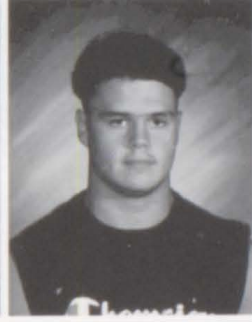
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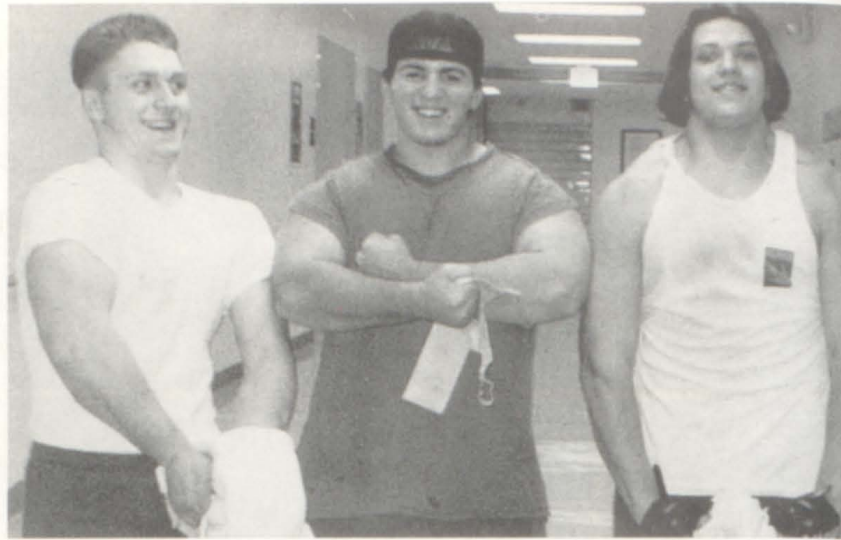
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S. Murray and her teddybear have another great day at school,



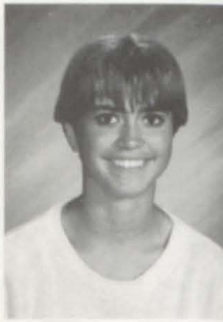
A. Andler, N. Jackson, and J. Utley show off their muscles after a hard workout.

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A. Andler, S. Bogart, And B. Holzinger stop and give the camera a smile.

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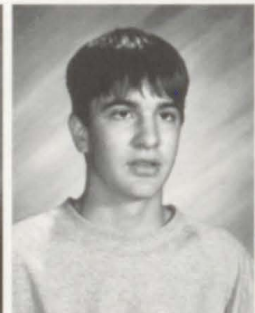


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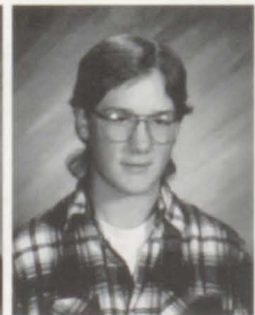


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C. Hallik stares deep into the camera's lens.

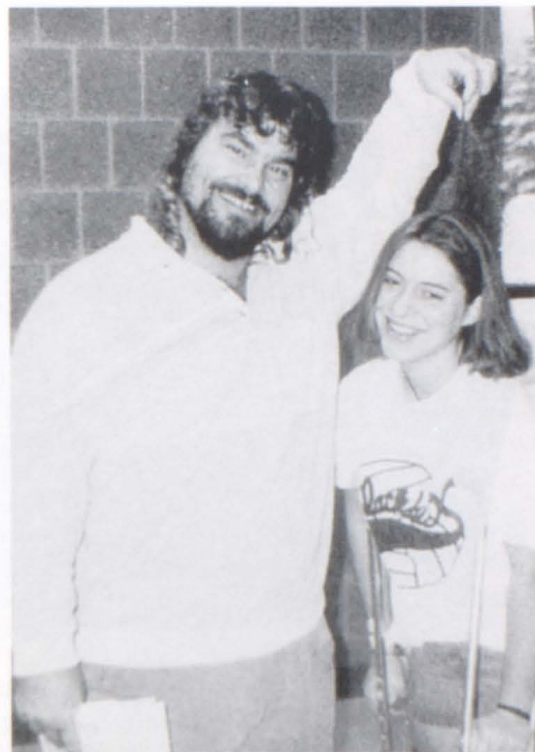


Tiffany Stenson
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N. Yerbich and J. Ficklin wrestle in the hall.



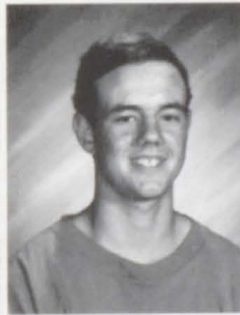
Sophomores ✓



Amber Theisen
Michele Theisen



Cheryl Tjepkes
Jeremiah Utley



Chad Watkins
Wayln Weinzetl
Stacie Wilberg



Sherona Williams
Aaron Winkelman
Nichole Yerbich
Amanda Zeller



Mr. Jim has fun picking on N. Yerbich.

B. Ferdig spends another one of his lunch hours studying.

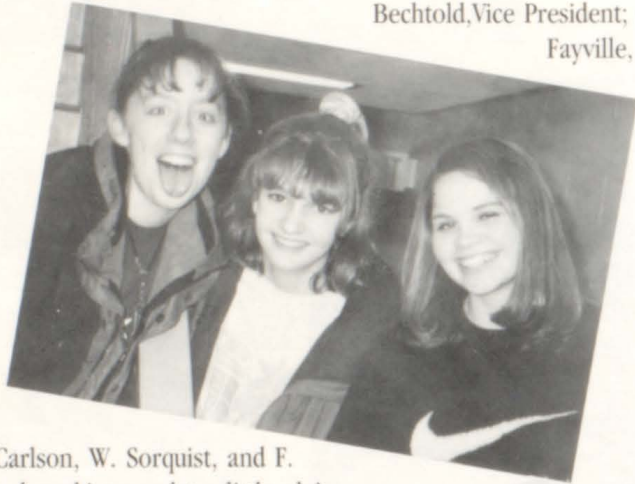


C. Alvarado and his hat enjoy the library.

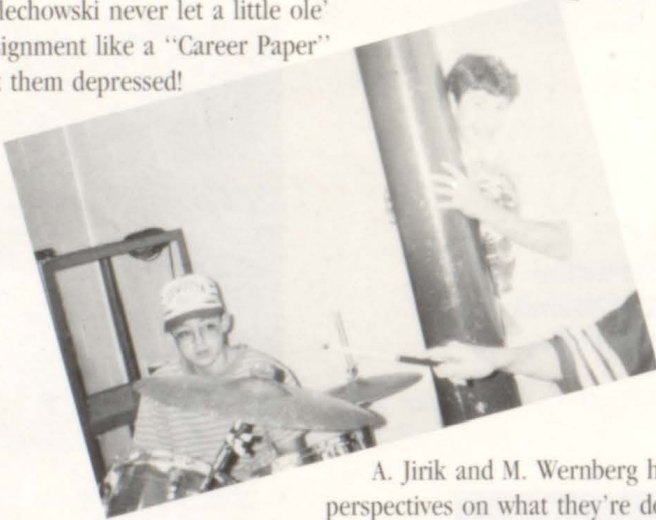
✓ 9th



Class Officers: H. Yerbich, Secretary; T. Bechtold, Vice President; and Mercy Fayville, President.



B. Carlson, W. Sorquist, and F. Bolechowski never let a little ole' assignment like a "Career Paper" get them depressed!



A. Jirik and M. Wernberg have different perspectives on what they're doing in band.

Tina Bohan
Faustina Bolechowski
Brenda Carlson
Troy Carrigan
Clark Christenson



Holly Abner
Mariah Alvarado



Dustin Anderson
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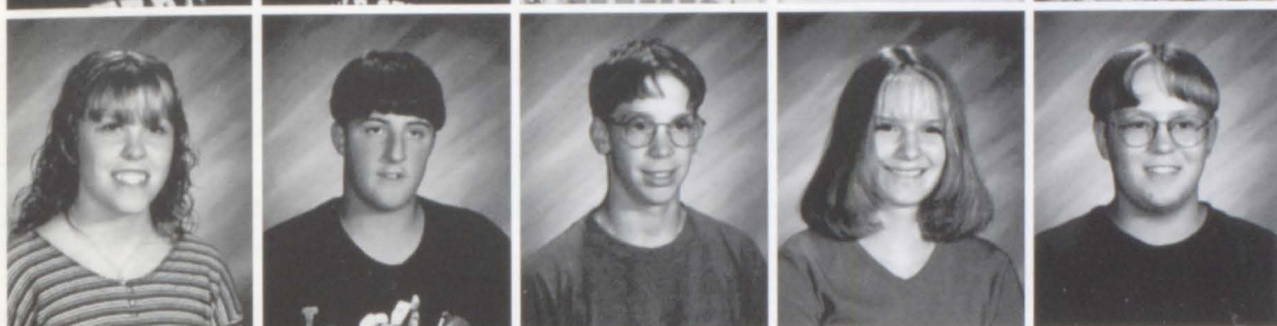




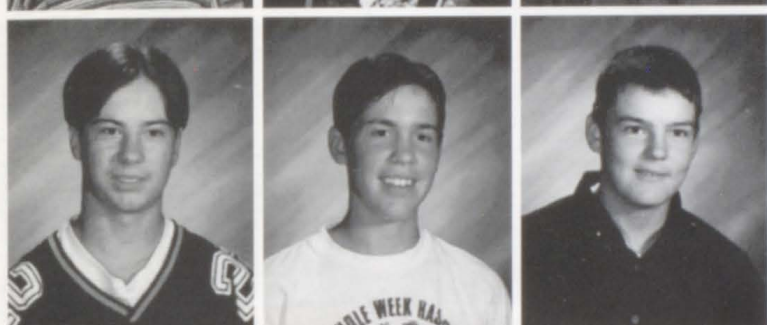
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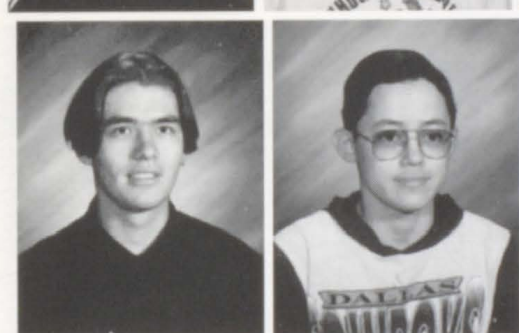
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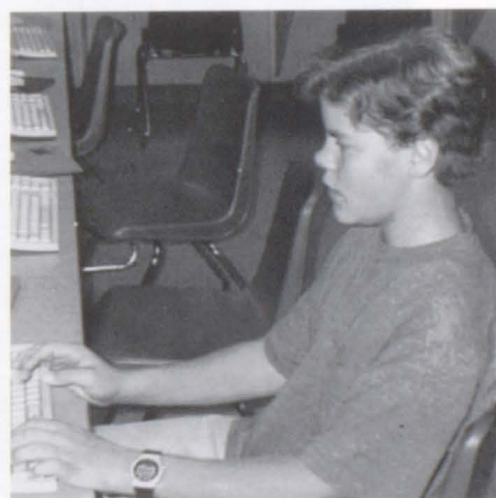
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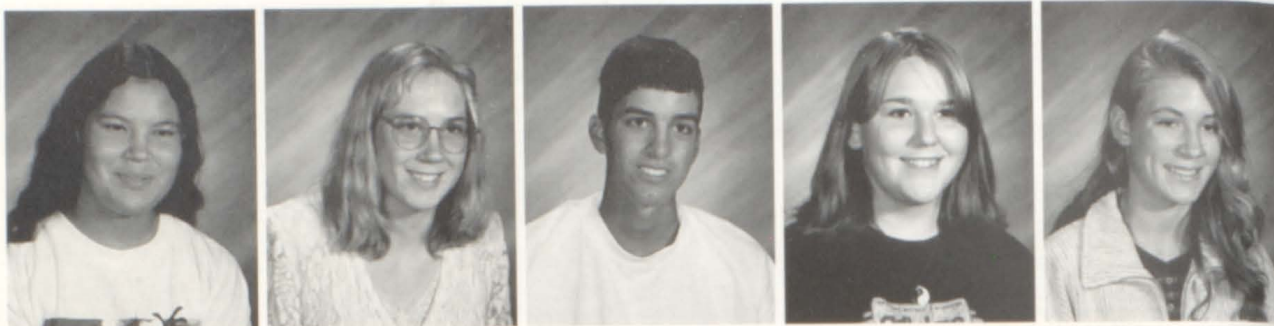


J. Young seriously looks for a game on the library's computers.



Freshmen...

Amy Kingbird
Carla Kisley
Ryan Klein
Shannon Knutson
Greta Kovar



Left: W. Sorquist, M. Fayville, S. Gustafson, B. Andler, A. Sachau, and B. Carlson wait their turn at Volleyball practice.



Below: Freshmen M. Fayville and B. J. Munoz watch the game and share a laugh.



Lisa Krueger
Nicole Krueth



Nathaniel LaTrace
Erik Lockhart
Terry Leoken
Daniel Lossing
Anna Merritt



Corey Miettinen
Nichole Mystic
Sara Mitchell
Amber Moshier
Billi Jo Munoz



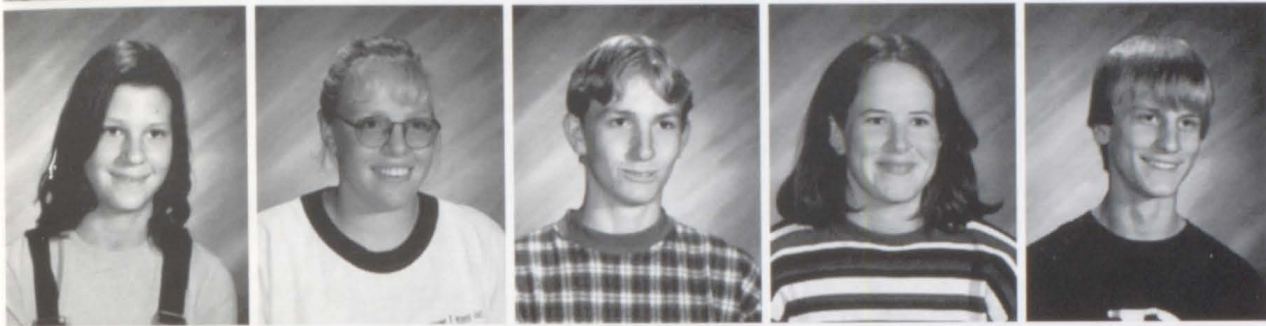
Class of 2000



Erik Murray
Allen Nelson
Jessie Nelson
Tony Nord
Kenneth Novak



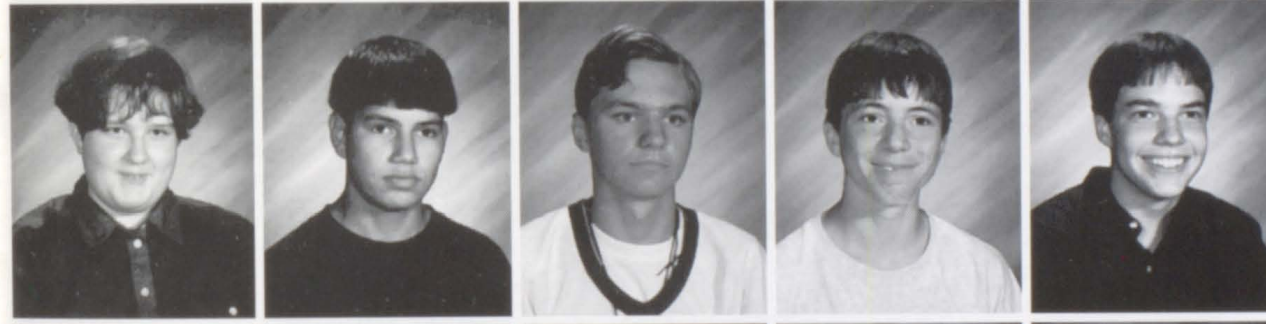
Alisha Patton
Tanya Peterson
Melissa Powers
Sara Pratt
Brett Rockensock



Megan Ruzicka
Amanda Sachau
Jeremy Scheldrup
Betsy Sheppard
James Shogren



Wendy Sorquist
Randall Stangler
Samantha Strand
Lucas Therriault
James Tillisch



Stacy Tindell
Kyle Urrutia
Benjamin Utlay
Justin Vernlund
Joshua Waller



Lisa Wallin
Mark Wernberg
Heather Yerbich
Joni Yerbich
Joshua Young

Not pictured:
Faustina Bolechowski
John Carlson
Michael Hatton

Eighth Graders Have Done It Again

For The Second Year In An Row The Eighth Graders
Are The Largest Class At Blackduck High School

Dominick Alvarado
Michelle Bauer
Fawn Bellanger
Steve Binkley
Aron Boreen



Kari Bradseth
Heather Brambrink
Amy Brogan
Timothy Brown
McKenzi Burmeister



Christopher Carlson
John Carlson
Robert Carter
Cody Charwood
Jodi Charwood



Kelly Cluff
Charles Compton
Rhiannon Cornell
Michelle Dickey
Todd Edin



Kelly Eisenrich
Harlan Engberg
Daniel Exner
Benjamin Fellows
Joseph Ferdig





Amelia Fogelquist
 Angela Freeman
 Gregory Freyholtz
 Crystal Green
 John Green



Justin Gross
 Kayla Gross
 Sara Gross
 Annette Grundmeier
 Jenny Hanks



Jennifer Harding
 Kristi Harrington
 Tyler Hazelton
 Bobbie Jo Hislaw
 Alissa Hodgman



Katherine Jedlicka
 Arthur Jirik
 Trent Johnson
 Jason Joy
 Nicole Joy



Sarah Kaasa
 Jeff Kay

At the R.E.S.P.E.C.T. workshop for eighth graders Ben Fellows is stuffed with balloons

Kevin Keeley
 Timothy Klein
 Elizabeth Kocurek
 Daniel Loeken
 Siiri Majava



Christine Mastrud

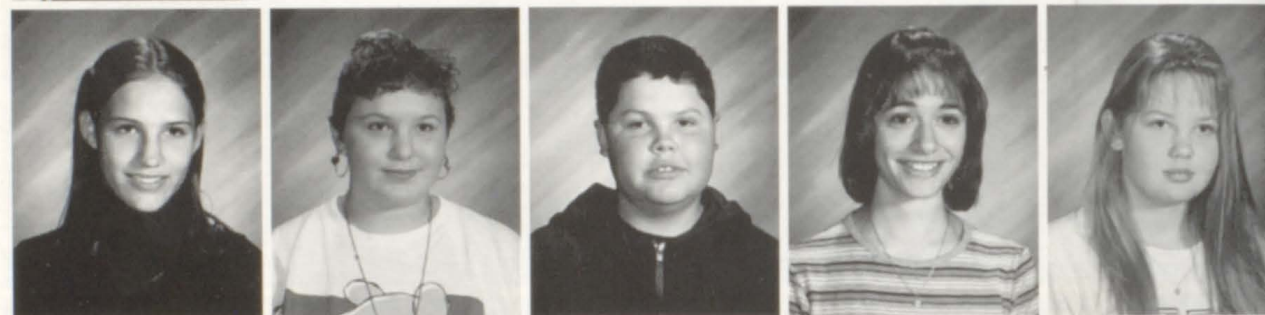


Shane May

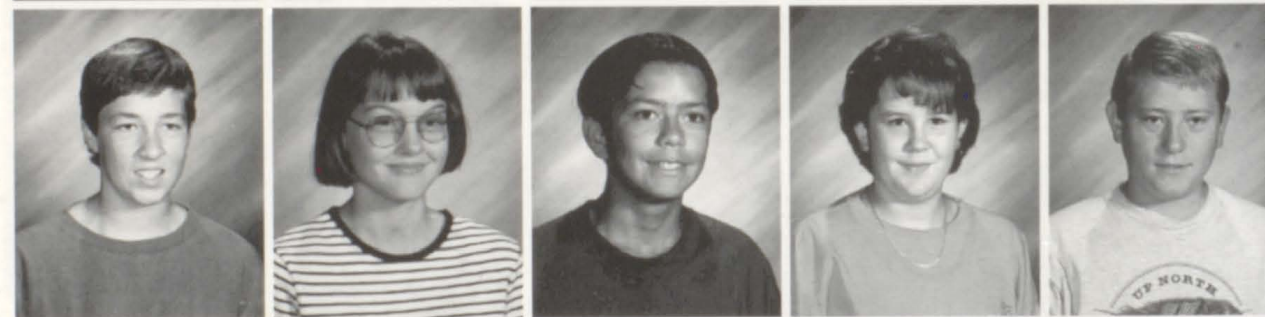


Eighth Grade Class Officers: McKenzie Burmeister, President; Kelly Eisenrich, Vice President; Nicole Joy, Secretary/Treasurer.

Keelia McNeil
 Stephanie Medecke
 Josh Michalek
 Amy Mystic
 Ashley Mystic



Tyrone Moen
 Tiffany Moshier
 Bobby Munoz
 Kortney Nash
 Lance Neal



Crystal Nelson
 Mathew Nelson
 Steven Nelson
 Ashley Nord
 Melissa Nyland





Brett Pater
 Mathew Peasley
 Lila Raisch
 Jeremiah Rederth
 Melinda Sandmeyer



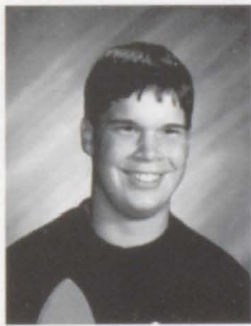
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 Ryan Schwersinske
 Kimberly Shaw
 Ryan Shingler
 Angie Skaug



Rachel Smith
 Jason Spencer
 LeaAnne Sunell
 Carrie Sweedman
 Aaron Theisen



Adam Theisen
 Mark Thrall
 Paul Trott
 Benjamin Van Tassel
 Kelly Wiebe



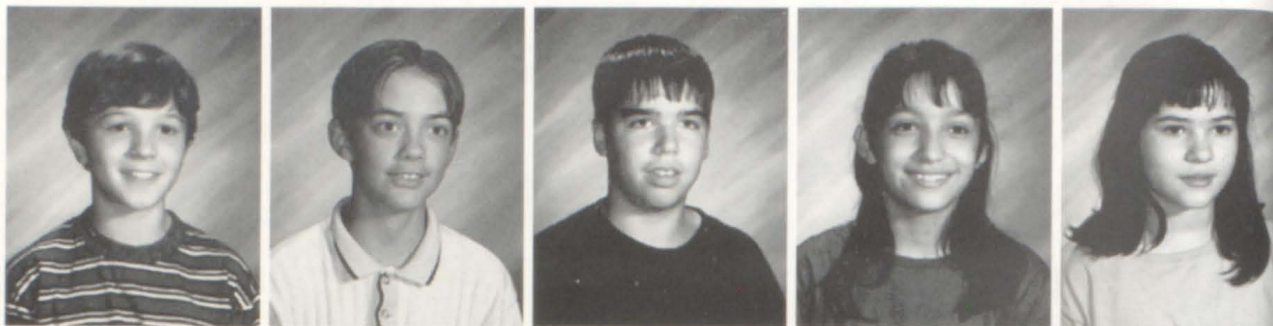
Steven Wosmak
 Matthew Yerbich
 Joshua Ziegler

Not Pictured: Matthew
 Kisley



At Left: Siiri Majava and Amy Brogan enjoy their lunch at Camp Rabadou on the eighth grade class field trip. At Right: Seventh grader Joe McKean and eighth grader Matt Yerbich take a break from watching the volleyball game.

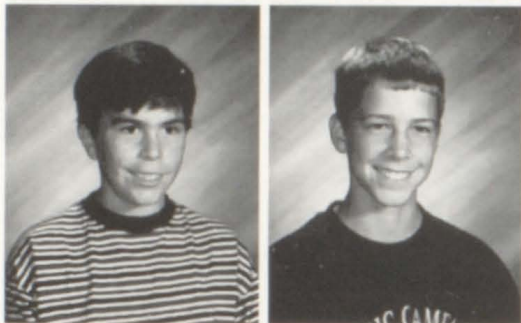
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 John Addler
 Delilah Alvarado
 Lolita Alvarado



Paul Anderson
 Ryan Anderson



Joe Barnard
 Paul Bechtold



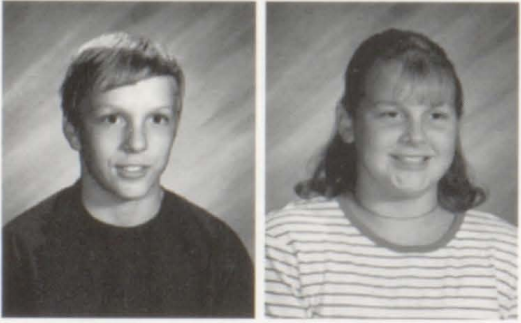
Ryan Benson
 Billy Binkley



James Boden
 Nick Bolechowski



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 Chris Carlson



7th Grade Class Officers:
 President - Paul Bechtold
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 Secretary/Treasurer - Todd Novak



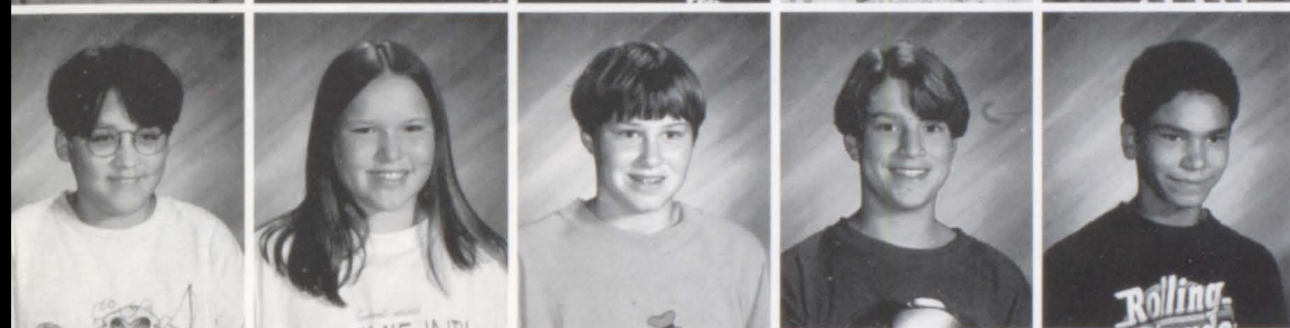
Patrick Carlson
Kari Carman
Kacey Carter
Jamie Chesley
Cory Collison



Nolan Coyle
Josiah Dietrich
Troy Edin
Brittany Erickson
Kelly Ess



Brent Ferdig
Jeremiah Ferrell
Tim Freeman
Josh Freyholtz
Andrea Grundmeier



Nigel Guinn
Shanna Gustafson
Michelle Haggard
Fred Halliwell
Charles Hatton



Tanya Hazelton
Trista Houle
Amber Humble
Diane Johnson
Gregory Johnson



Alicia Kiewatt
Charlotte King
Arnold Kingbird
Angel Krueh
Betsy Lahr

Brandon Larsen
 Joshua Leach
 Joe McKean
 Andrew Mystic
 Ryan Mystic



Justin Munoz
 Patrick Murry
 Diana Nelson
 Levi Nelson
 Shelly Nelson



Rachel Pilecki:
 You can never smile too much!



Bradon Larson, Arnold Kingbird, Ryan Newman:
 Going home after a great day at school.
 Jill Switajski: Thinking happy thoughts!
 Betsy don't eat the calculator!!!



Wake up Fred. You're going home!

Scott Nestberg
 Ryan Newman
 Todd Novak
 Rachel Pilecki
 Marcus Prenger

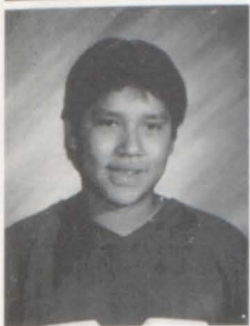


Lesley Sachau
 Lindsey Sachau
 Chad Scheldrup
 Carrie Scifres
 Nicole Shingler





Deedee Shogren
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Brandy Swanson
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Zachary Therriault
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Mitchell Wade
Ashley Wallin



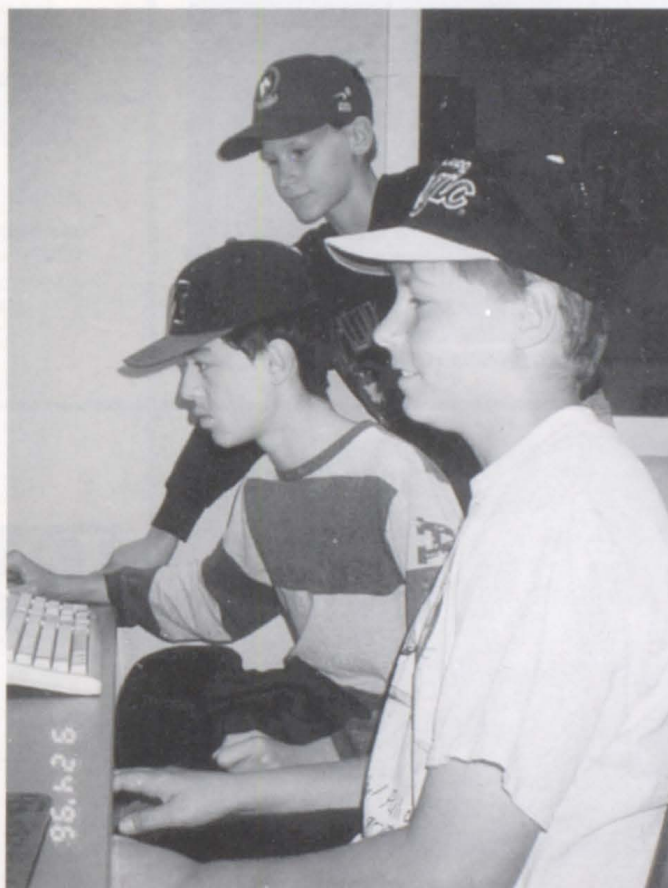
Trisha Watkins
Tracy Weber
Jamie Young

Not pictured:
Jamie King



Isn't this the truth!!!

At Right: Joe Ferdig, Anton Jirik, Greg Freyholtz
are really zoned in to their computer game
during their lunch hour.



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SNAPS ✓



At an assembly, do you remember any of these people?



At Achievement day V. Sandmeyer, K. Therriault, T. Bellanger, L. La Trace, F. Bellanger, have an exciting time.



R. Nord, L. Lahr, and J. Wernberg, dance the Macarana (the dance that was popular until Al Gore tried to do it.)



E. Bodien and S. Gross, debate whether or not to slide down the hand rail.



Teresa Rockensock and friend Sara Houseman get psyched before a volleyball game.



Also at Achievement day J. Shogren and N. La Trace play with cards.



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Top Left: Anthony Balsiger practices his lines for the One Act play. Top Center: Nick Lien, Shawn Bogart, and Mrs Deno enjoy one of our programs. Top Right: Mr. Schram, a fan of Yoda? Below Left: Heather Martinez and Andrea Johnson happy and cheerful as always. At Right: Sarah Houseman, Sam Addler, Jessica Hanson, Flann Christenson, Nathen Deno, Teresa Bechtold, and Becky Nelson groove to the tunes at the Fall Homecoming dance. Rachel Bauer and Rachael Mystic support the National Honor Society by purchasing doughnuts.



Bottom Left: Ben Frenzel and Max Burmeister discuss what is better Arctic Cat or Polaris. Bottom Center: Mr. Nipp and Adrienna Jirik take tickets for the Snow Week dance. Bottom Right: Holly Abner, Christa Fayville, Megan Ruzicka, Nichole Mystic, Greta Kovar, and Nicole Krueth promote Sprite.



Teachers, etc.
 What would get
 done without 'em?



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 Back Row: M. Nord, J. Ruzicka, S. Christenson.



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 Thomas Hoppe

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 Scott Anderson
 Laura Barott

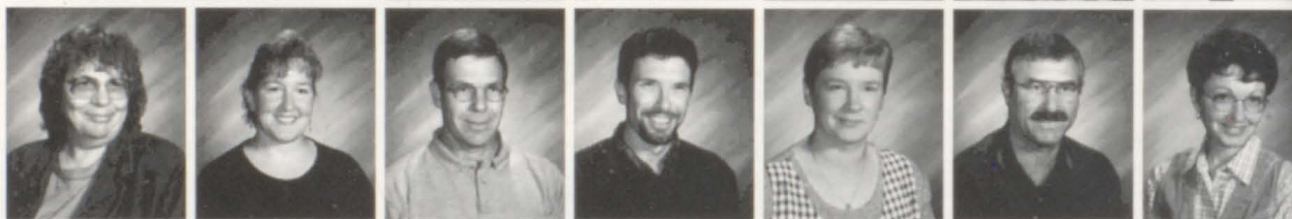
High School Teachers ✓



Steve Bechtold
 Heather Dehn
 Daryl Deno
 Shirley Deno
 Harold Fenske
 Dick Fischer
 Mark Friesen



Justina Halvarson
 Becky Haugen
 Don Houseman
 Rick Kehoe
 Corine Knodel
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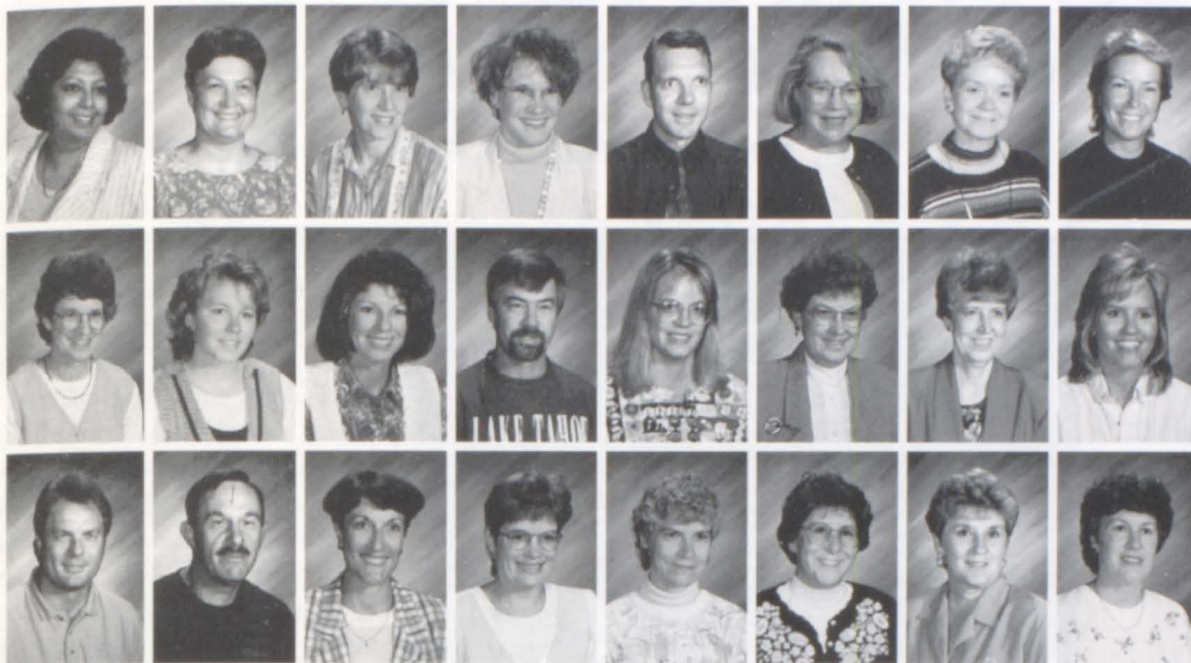
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 Lois Pearson
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 Pat Zea
 Robert Ziegler



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Nancy Blizil
Nita Brown
Cindy Cronemiller
Jim Dahedl
Donna Dremmel
Peggy Eggert
Nancy Glenn
Nancy Greuel
Rachel Grundmeier
Gail Johnson
Mark Johnson
Robin Kallroos
Avonel Kjellberg
Jean Larson
Trina Liapis
Tom Liapis
Dick McKean
Diane McKean
Barb Moon
Barb Morine
Sandy Rutter
Diane Smith
Dorothy Sonnek



K-12 Teachers
Not Pictured:
Marjorie Danielson
Karen Filardo
Dorothy Gross
Catherine Holen
Janice Jason
Jim Schram
Claire Sheppard
Joe Sheppard

Kathy Tobin Cindy Wiebe Melanie Wolden



COOKS: Front Row: N. Joy, J. Newman. Back Row: R. Frenzel, E. Fischer, E. Hoglund, S. Bradseth.



CUSTODIANS: Front Row: Jens Patch, Terry Engberg. Back Row: Bob Klug, Richard Tjepkes, Bob Corne.

Support Staff ✓



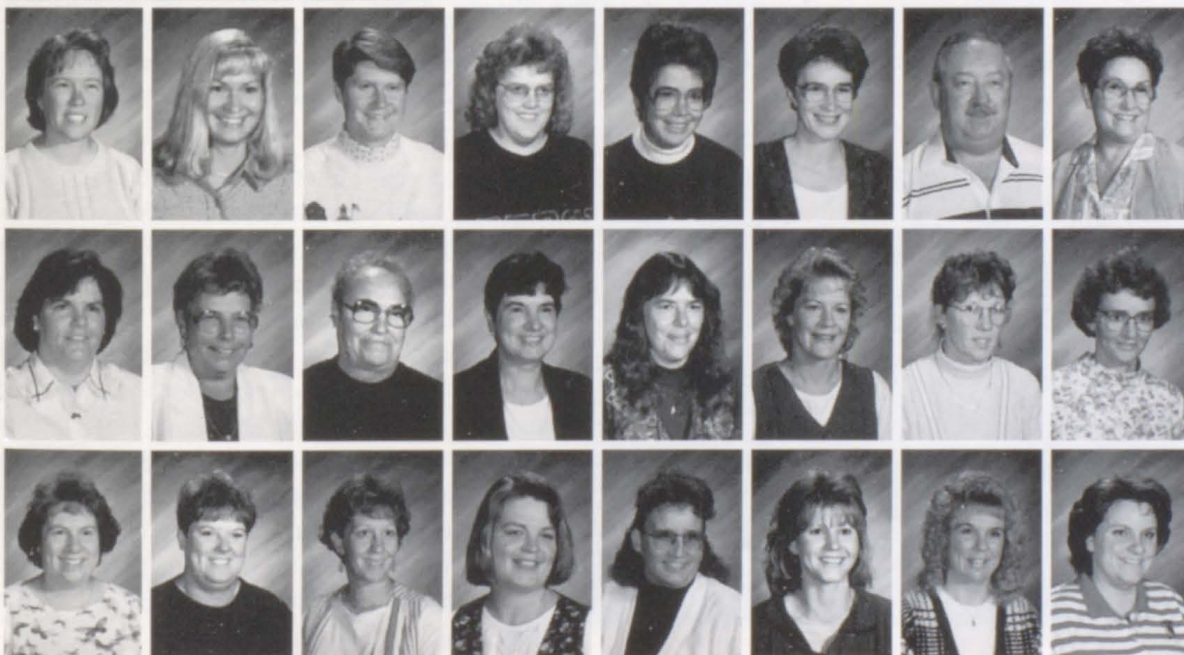
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Jim Dexter



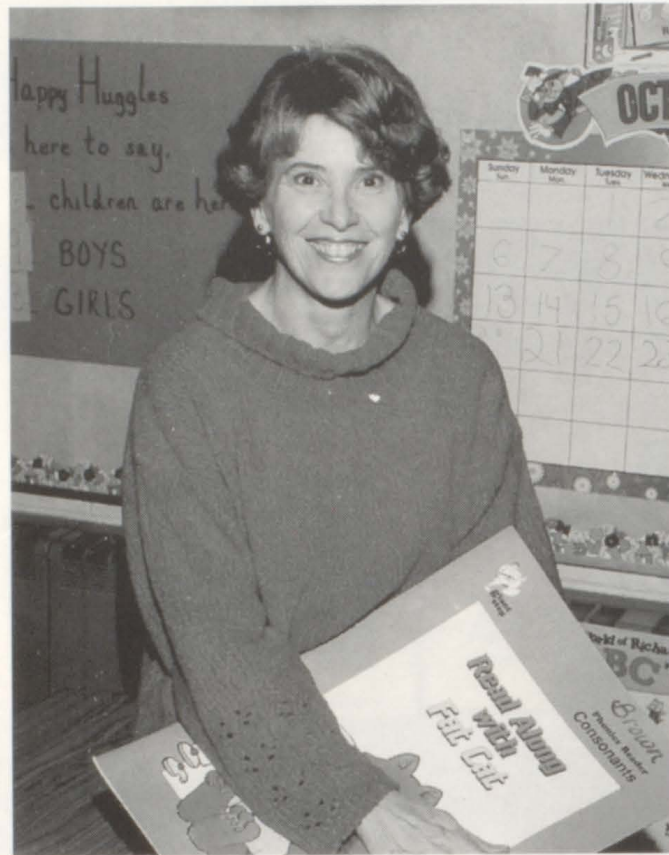
BUSDRIVERS: Front Row: S. Carlson, F. Patterson, K. Crunden, R. Theisen, R. Larsen. Back Row: M. Dobmeier, L. Brittain, R. Carlson, P. Brambrink, T. Pater, J. Pater, S. Frenzel, A. Frenzel.



Karen Brogan
Pam Brucki
Tammy Collison
Ava Crabb
Theresa French
Janice Frenzel
Terry Hawkinson
Bev Hemingson
Tammy Jedlicka
Mary Joy
Peggy King
Marge Klug
Michelle Krueth
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Jannessa Moris
Donna Murray
Bonnie Nelson
Laura Nelson
Wendy Yerbich
Sandy Wade
Tammy Vernlund
Lorraine Warden

Mrs. Brown is our '95-'96 Teacher of the Year!

She's teaching children how to do things in just the right way.



Teacher of the Year Mrs. Brown has come full circle, as she went to high school here at Blackduck from 1960-1965. She originally attended Inver Hills Community College pursuing a degree in accounting. She worked as an accountant for fourteen years first at the Norwest Bank of Hastings from 1979-1982 as a Vice-President of Accounting, and then at the Vermillion State Bank, Vermillion, Minnesota for four years managing the accounting and investing department. In 1989 Mrs. Brown decided to go back to college. She graduated from Bemidji State University in 1991 magna cum laude with a Bachelor Science degree in education, and completed her master's degree in January of 1997. Mrs. Brown has taught kindergarten in Blackduck since the September of 1991, as well as working in Chapter One and the enrichment program

for grades 4-6. Mrs. Brown has a husband, three grown sons, a grandson and a granddaughter. She and her family lived in Hastings, Minnesota for 16 years before moving to Blackduck in 1986. "I believe in looking at each child as an individual and developing a curriculum to best meet the needs of the child. I strive to develop each child to their fullest potential. As a kindergarten teacher, I believe a child's first year in school must be full of fun, exciting and rewarding experiences. The year must be successful for each child, leaving her/him with a desire to learn more," said Mrs. Brown of her educational philosophy. Mrs. Brown thinks that she was chosen for the honorable position of Teacher of the Year because of her dedication to the education profession, her belief in providing a variety of ways for people to learn, and her active participation on committees to help our school provide the best education possible for our students. Mrs. Brown garnered a H.A.B.I.T.(Hug A Book, It's Terrific) grant that provides students grades K-2 with book packets to enhance their reading ability, and has an after school reading club to further develop student's literary skills.



Mrs. Brown enjoys a lot of things about teaching. She loves the excitement her students display when they learn something. "The rewards are daily!" claims Mrs. Brown. Making school successful for all children is the biggest challenge she has. She feels that parent involvement is a crucial aspect of teaching. "A child needs to know his or her parents supports education" and is interested in the education of their child. Parents need to be aware of what their child is being taught and reinforce the education at home. Parents and teachers need to work as a team in order for the child to develop to their full potential," she says. Congratulations, Mrs. Brown, and thank you for your dedication!

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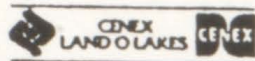
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ACTIVITIES ✓



Upper left: Thomas Bechtold envisions victory near the trophy case after wrestling practice. Upper right: Karen Gieser displays an assertive flair as she moves to the hit in Volleyball. Left: Stage crew member Jacob Baggenstoss shows the audience what it took to build the set of "Tom Sawyer". Right: Becky Nelson takes a quick smile break from the yearbook page she's doing.



Nike might have come up with "Just Do It", but the Drakes Fastpitch Softball team added a whole new flair as they "just did it" for the **SECOND YEAR IN A ROW!!**

Upper Mississippi Conference Softball Champions.

Sub-Section 8A Champions.

Welcome to our diamond.



An introduction to the members of the 1996 Drakes Fastpitch Softball team! Kneeling: Multi-purpose player N. Yerbich, Multi-Purpose player S Murray, Outfielder M. Meade, and Right fielder H. Yerbich. Standing: Coach Sheppard, First-base J. Hanson, Outfielder A. Jirik, Multi-purpose player C. Tjepkes, Pitcher T. Bechtold, Pitcher B. Nelson, Multi-purpose player M. Fayville, Second-base M. Bradseth, and Coach Dwight Kalvig. Heads up are: Catcher T. Rockensock, Third-base B. Lundberg, Pitcher/Short-stop A. Mistic, and Center fielder L. Anderson.

Below: Leah Anderson grins gamely at Coach Kalvig as she receives the record of what she has done.



Jessica "Juice" Hanson receives her All-Conference award from Coach Kalvig.

Below: A courageous Coach Kalvig has just followed through on his Sub-Sectional vow to his players; because they won to become Sub-Sectional champions and advance to Sectionals, he ate the squid he refused to partake in earlier.



Below: Teresa "Rocky" Rockensock jaunts away after getting her statistics from Coach Kalvig.



Last year's graduating seniors Brenda Lundberg & Mandy Bradseth admire their honorary softballs.

JV Fastpitch Softball — They're going to get it done!



Kneeling: N. Yerbich, S. Gustafson, L. Krueger. Standing: S. Murray, A. Sacchou, B. Carlson, S. Strand. Back row: Coach Sheppard, W. Sorquist, C. Tjepkes, N. Mistic, A. Moshier, J. Yerbich, B. Sheppard.



Kneeling: K. Shaw, L. Sunnell, K. Gross, K. Eisenrich. Standing: A. Brogan, A. Nord, C. Nash, K. Wiebe, S. Gross, and Coach Nipp.

Mr. Sonnek watches as the team huddles after receiving their medals.



The Drakes Fastpitch team takes the third base line after their Sub-Sectional triumph. From the right, Megan Meade, Teresa Rockensock, Shannon Murray, Nicky Yerbich, Cheryl Tjepkes, Leah Anderson, Becky Nelson, Mandy Bradseth, Mercy Fayville, Adrienna Jirik, Heather Yerbich, Aricka Mistic, Jessica Hanson, Brenda Lundberg, Teresa Bechtold, Coach Kalvig and Coach Sheppard.

Most Improved Player Becky Nelson.



Above: At the Fastpitch banquet, team pride and the trophies of the '96 season are on display!

	Score	Wins	Losses
Hill City Tournament	Third-place	2	1
North Central	2-0, 9-3	2	
Laporte	12-1, 6-3	2	
Littlefork	3-4, 15-6	1	1
Cass Lake	5-0, 6-3	2	
Indus	10-0, 13-4	2	
Red Lake	17-2, 17-12	2	
Bemidji	7-8		1
Deer River	1-3		1
Blackduck Tournament	First-place	2	
SUB-SECTIONS			
Littlefork	4-2	1	
SECTIONALS			
Frazee	5-8 (ten innings)		1

Baseball '96

We did it last spring. . . Played Ball!

Varsity

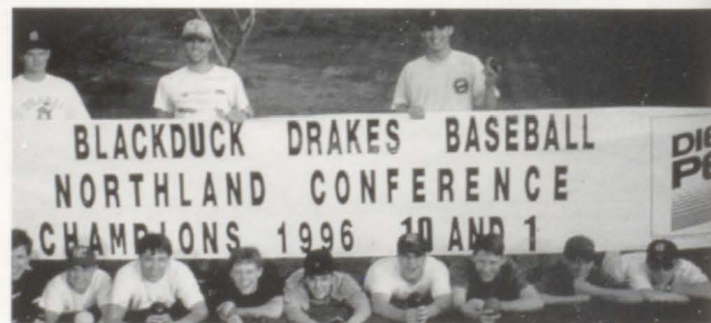


First row: E. Nord, C. Gross, C. Lockhart, S. Bagginstoss, J. Ross, J. Anderson. Second row: Coach Johnson, R. Tennant, A. Winkleman, N. Deno, J. Ruzicka, L. Anderson, T. Anderson, J. Corner, Coach McKean. Third row: A. Pomp, T. Grace, Derek Moen, C. Crowson, G. Dietrich. Not Pictured: J. Gross, S. Merrill.



Blackduck Drakes did the Dome!

After months of heavy fundraising, and a lot of work, the boys baseball team traveled to the Metrodome to play a game against Northwood Young America.



1996 Varsity players N. Deno, T. Anderson, E. Nord, D. Moen, L. Anderson, J. Ruzicka, J. Anderson, C. Gross, G. Dietrich, A. Pomp, T. Grace, and C. Crowson show off their Bocce Balls as well as their Conference Championship sign!

Junior Varsity

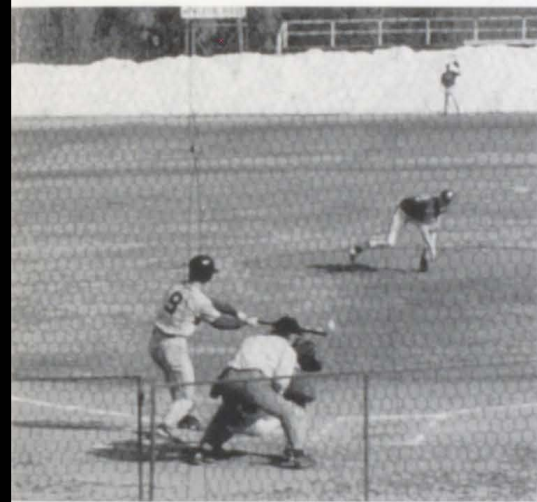


First row: T. Corner, Coach McKean, J. Anderson. Second row: J. Ross, N. Lien, C. Nord, A. Winkleman, R. Tennent, J. Corner. Third row: T. Anderson, N. Bennett, S. Bogart, T. Grace, A. Balsiger.

Junior High



First row: A. Jirik, J. Young, T. Nord, A. Theisen, A. Boreen, J. Gross. Second row: B. Fellows, A. Nelson, B. Utley, C. Harding, T. Edin, Coach Winkleman. Third row: J. Haggard, J. Tillisch, T. Bechtold, D. Anderson, T. Moen.



Blackduck Drake Justin Ruzicka snapped just as he was ready to send the ball for a ride. (Notice the snow in the background!! This picture was taken at Bagley in April '96).



At right: Tog Anderson, Corey Gross, Lance Anderson, Nate Deno, Eric Nord, Derrek Moen, and Tim Grace are all concentrating on a heavy game of Bocce ball.



'96 Boys Golf ✓

Above: First Row: J. Kovar, A. Balsiger, B. Joy.
 Second Row: Coach Houseman, J. Ross, Z. Kovar, C. Henriksen, T. Tobin.



'96 Girls Golf ✓

Coach Houseman,
 S. Houseman,
 K. Moon.



'97 Boys Golf ✓

Above: First Row: J. McKean, J. Addler, C. Adams, T. Novak, M. Henriksen, S. Nelson.
 Second Row: B. Joy, P. Sorquist, J. Corner, Coach Houseman, C. Souder, A. Balsiger, J. Kovar.



'97 Girls Golf ✓

Below: First Row: S. Gross, K. Bradseth, M. Burmeister.
 Second Row: S. Sunell, A. Zeller, Coach Houseman, S. Houseman, G. Kovar.

Track: We get the running done.....FAST!



The runners unveiled!! On the bottom are M. Burmeister and S. Gross. Next row, L. Backer and A. Zeller, and on the top row are B. Andler, S. McDermott, and S. Majava.



Making tracks and getting the lap run are second from the back McKenzie Burmeister, and in the front Siiri Majava.



On left: McKenzie Burmeister wondering: "You mean this is how you do it?!" as a patient coach gestures.



Left: McKenzie Burmeister and Siiri Majava discuss the day with teammates as they unsuit, preparing to get the race run.



McKenzi Burmeister is sprinting to the end in a valient effort to get the race done so she can breathe again!!

Drakes Football: Injured or not, we got the tackling done!



Varsity Football! Sitting: T. Nord, J. Kiewatt, C. Collison, B. Holzinger, J. Ross, A. Andler, J. Freyholtz, J. Anderson, C. Adams, A. Nelson, B. Frenzel. Middle Row: Coach McKean, A. Alvarado, N. Lien, C. Hallik, J. Corner, D. Juelson, N. Jackson, A. Winkleman, J. Ficklin, E. Nord, S. Merrill, Coach Sonnek. Back Row: T. Bechtold, N. Bennett, T. Kuhlman, J. Tillisch, K. Stroeing, D. Moen, M. Sandbo, J. Ruzicka, B. Roush, D. Wallin, N. Deno.



To the right, some of our great gridman who served their last year for BHS: Scott Merrill, Tommy Kuhlman, Jeremy Corner, Derrrek Moen, Kevin Stroeing, Angel Alvarado, Daryl Wallin and Nate Deno. Above, freshman Tony Nord moves along the sidelines, as do Coach Sonnek, Coach Liapis, and number 67, Daryl Wallin.

Blackduck Varsity Football. How WE DID!

Team	Score	Wins	Losses	Ties
Cherry-Iron	14-14			1
Cass Lake	6-9		1	
Pine River	6-12		1	
Walker	30-25	1		
Northland	50-20	1		
Pequot Lakes	20-13	1		
Lake of the Woods	0-24		1	
Bagley	22-18	1		
Badger-G. Mid. River	42-54		1	



Above, Jeremy Ficklin with one of the six sidelined Varsity players who were sorely missed, Aaron Dufseth.

JV Football

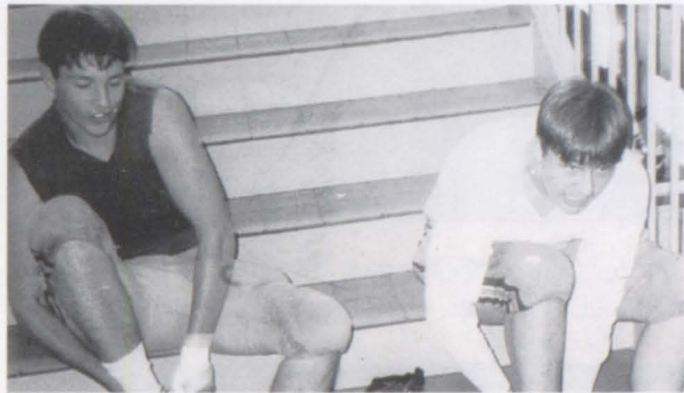
We're learning how do it!



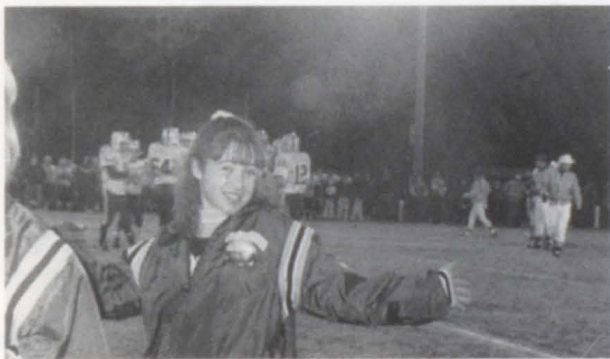
JV players! Sitting: T. Freeman, N. Bolechowski, S. Nelson, G. Freyholtz, A. Mistic, T. Novak, P. Anderson, D. Alvarado. Second Row: Coach MacIntyre, J. Spencer, T. Edin, M. Yerbich, H. Engberg, R. Mistic, M. Thrall, A. Bodeen, Coach Liapis. Standing in the back row: P. Bechtold, C. Collison, R. Anderson, M. Nelson, T. Edin, B. Fellows, J. McKean, J. Kay.



Thomas Bechtold, Allan Nelson, Cody Hallik, and Aaron Winkleman stride off the field, and do it well, as Eric Nord, #20, contemplates what he has done.



Above: Derrek Moen and Jeremy Corner suit up while telling the bystanders what they're going to do!



Left: Joni Wernberg cheers to the enthusiastic crowd at a Drake Varsity game. Right: Can you identify this Drake's player? Perhaps numbers #40 Ben Frenzel or #10 Chip Adams could tell us! Bottom Left: Scott Merrill gets mashed by buddies Derrek Moen and Jeremy Corner.



'96 Drakes

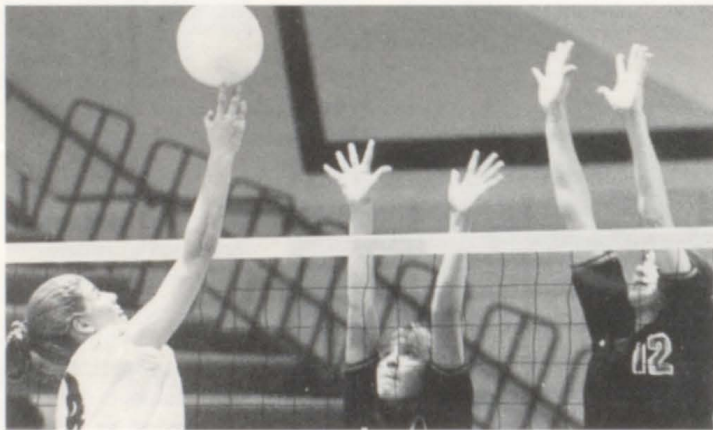
VARSITY



Top row: Coach Sheppard, S. Houseman, J. Hanson, L. Anderson, and Coach Anderson. Middle row: T. Rockensock, T. Bechtold, P. Palmer, A. Mystic, and K. Gieser. Front row: T. Carrigan and R. Mystic.



Aricka Mystic springs up to pound the ball on the Panthers.



Sarah Houseman tips the shot around the attempted block of Cass Lake defenders Tanya Church and Amanda Gehrke in the sub-section match at the BSU gym.



Teresa Rockensock and Jessica Hanson clown around.



Volleyball

Junior Varsity



Pamela Palmer is down and ready for the opponent's spike.



Top row: C. Tjepkes, L. Backer, Coach Anderson, L. Lahr, and L. Ness. Middle row: A. Sachau, S. Mouer, K. Meade, M. Fayville, M. Theisen, and C. Fayville. Front row: S. Sunell, S. Murray, N. Yerbich.

Freshmen



Top row: M. Fayville, W. Sorquist, Coach Anderson, M. Ruzicka, and L. Wallin. Middle row: A. Bilinski, J. Yerbich, B. Sheppard, H. Yerbich, A. Sachau, and B. Carlson. Front row: L. Krueger, B. Andler, and S. Gustafson.



M. Fayville, L. Backer, N. Yerbich, C. Tjepkes, J. Yerbich, J. Yerbich, M. Ruzicka, and L. Lahr look like they are having a blast.

C Team Drakes Volleyball

The C team will be doing it, but not yet.



Top Row: A. Mystic, J. Hanks, K. Eisenrich, Coach R. Grundmeier, K. Shaw, J. Harding, and A. Mystic. Middle Row: H. Brambrink, R. Cornell, K. Wiebe, S. Majava, R. Smith, A. Nord, K. Nash, and A. Brogan. Bottom Row: M. Burmeister, S. Gross, A. Freeman, and A. Grundmeier.



Amanda Sachau is caught up in the suspense as to where the ball is going to go.



Top Row: S. Smith, C. Carlson, Coach M. Wolden, K. Carter, and S. Gustafson. Middle Row: B. Swanson, L. Sachau, F. Chetto, B. Erickson, J. Young, and L. Sachau. Bottom Row: A. Humble.



Shannon Murray and Lara Lahr having a tense but joyous game of one on one with Christa Fayville and Amanda Sachau watching in the background.



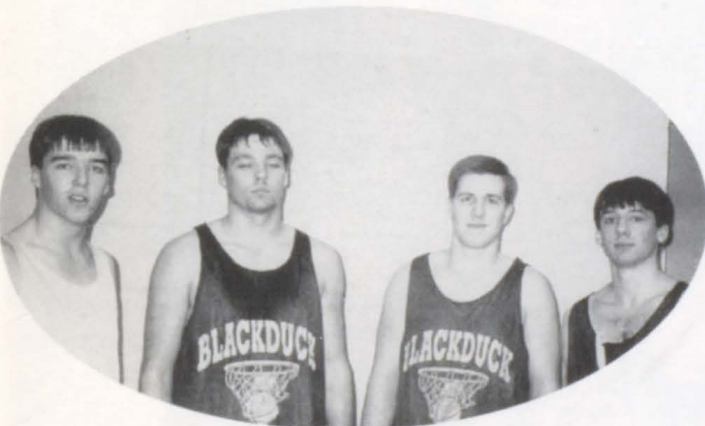
Cheryl Tjepkes, Joni Yerbich, Wendy Sorquist, and Sara Gustafson just moving on after a treacherous and grueling practice.

Boys Basketball



Varsity

First Row: S. Baggenstoss, R. Tennet, S. Merrill, J. Ross. Second Row: Coach Ross, T. Anderson, D. Moen, S. Bogart, A. Pomp, Coach Anderson. Third Row: B. Joy, S. Addler, N. Lien.



Seniors

S. Addler, D. Moen, N. Deno, S. Baggenstoss.
Not pictured: S. Merrill



Some things never
change do they???

D. Moen, S. Merrill.

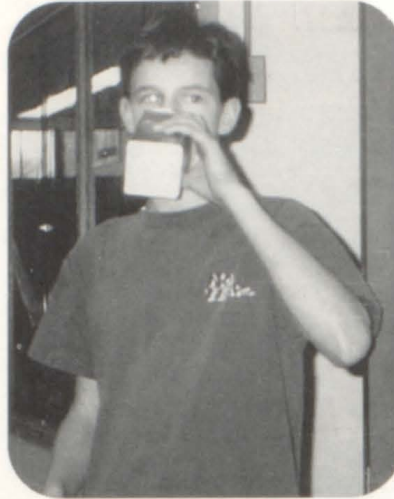


S. Addler and S. Baggenstoss have
their different views caught on cam-
era.



A. Pomp gasps in surprise as the basketball turns into a ghost.

D. Anderson attempts to grow a milk mustache.



Tog Anderson slam-dunks! Is he standing on a chair?



T. Anderson: P-U smelly socks!



N. Deno luckily recovered from a football injury in time to play basketball.



Thanks for the smile J. Anderson!



Junior Varsity

First Row: M. Wernberg and B. Utley. Second Row: M. Henriksen, J. Anderson, J. Ficklin, D. Anderson, C. Adams, C. Harding. Third Row: N. Bennett, J. Tillisch, Coach Anderson, S. Bogart, A. Barnard.



C- Team

First Row: B. VanTassel, J. Munoz, J. Dietrich. Second Row: S. Nelson, J. Ferdig, A. Theisen, B. Fellows, C. Collison, J. Ziegler, C. Adams, J. Freyholtz. Third Row: T. Johnson, T. Brown, S. Wosmek, Coach McEntire, K. Cluff, T. Moen, J. McKean. Fourth Row: T. Edin, B. Munoz, J. Addler, M. Thrall.



J. Dietrich watches as his team moves the ball down the court.



Aren't Blackduck fans great!!!!



C. Adams in action.

GIRL'S BASKETBALL ✓

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Front Row: S. Murray and K. Jedlika. Middle Row: M. Fayville, T. Rockensock, S. Houseman, K. Meade, J. Yerbich. Back Row: Coach Liapis, G. Blizil, L. Lahr, J. Hanson, L. Backer, Coach Kehoe.

SENIORS ✓

They did it for the last time of their H.S. basketball careers.

These five senior basketball players have been friends since Junior High. They have helped make a great team for years. This was their last year playing basketball together and they made the most of it. Front Row: Gayle Blizil and Jessica Hanson. Back Row: Joni Wernberg, Sara Houseman and Teresa Rockensock.



J U N I O R

V A R S I T Y



Front Row: B. Munoz, S. Murray, T. Peterson. Middle Row: B. Andler, K. Jedlicka, K. Atkinson, M. Fayville, H. Yerbich. Back Row: S. Gross, L. Lahr, Coach Kehoe, L. Backer, K. Meade.



Above: Heather Yerbich is caught off guard thanks to our sneaky photographers.



The Three Musketeers: Brooke Andler, Amber Moshier and Tanya Peterson.



Layne Backer does the Macarena and shoots the ball at the same time.

Check Out More of Girl's Basketball ✓

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Front Row: A. Humble and A. Skaug. Second Row: T. Moshier, S. Gustafson, M. Burmiester, B. Hislaw, S. Gross, K. Jedlicka, B. Swanson. Third Row: Coach Allisa Hoff, R. Smith, M. Dickie, K. Eisenrich, A. Mistic, Coach Martise Smith. Fourth Row: A. Freeman, S. Majava, K. Wiebe, N. Joy, B. Erikson.

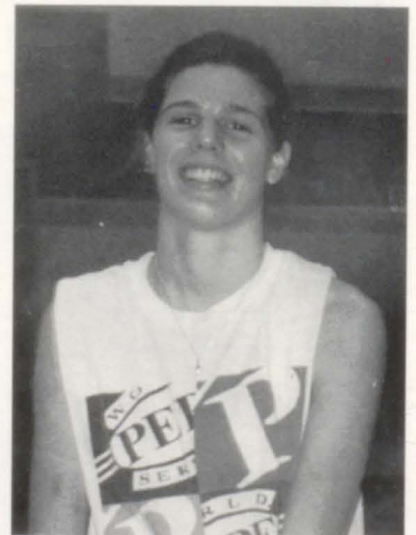
See Ya' Later Seniors



Jessica Hanson gives us a smile on the run.



Joni Wernberg's idea of sweet for the camera and tough on the court.



Sara Houseman looks like she's been doing it right and practicing hard.



Some bears eat and growl.
 Our BCLB BEARS
WRESTLE
 their way to the State
 Tournament!



First Row: B. Frenzel, T. Klein, T. Nord, B. Frenzel, C. Bauer, R. Nord, and J. Yerbich. Back Row: E. Nord, D. Juelson, T. Bechtold, Coach Bechtold, M. Sandbo, R. Klein, A. Alvarado.



Front Row: L. Alvarado, D. Alvarado, D. Alvarado. Middle Row: A. Nelson, P. Bechtold, J. Shogren, M. Yerbich. Back Row: P. Anderson, A. Theisen, Coach Bechtold, R. Mistic, J. Spencer.

1996-1997 BCLB Bears

Us	Opposition	Them
*39	Menasha-Sebeka	16
*51	Park Rapids	19
*51	Walker/Hackensack/Akley/Nevis	13
*62	Mahnomen Wauben	4
*33	Pequot Lakes/Pine River	32
*35	Deer River	25
*63	St. Thomas	6
*38	Hibbing	18
*45	Minneapolis North	16
*31	Greenbush	29
*42	Pequot Lakes/Pine River	25
*36	Deer River	19
21	Wadena	33
*35	Cambridge	22
*34	Litchfield	25
*52	Fosston/Bagley	12
22	Bemidji	34
*39	Oklee/Plummer	27
*54	Montevideo	9
28	St. James	31
29	New Richland HEG	29
*35	Grand Rapids	28

18 wins, 3 losses, one tie.

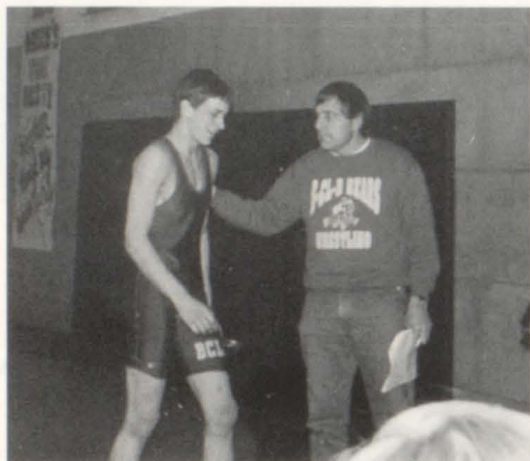


At Right: Disappointed Bear grappler Eric Nord after a defeat.

In just a few seconds....these wrestlers pinned their foes!



Right: The lone Blackduck Bear senior, Ryan Nord. Ryan has been an important part of the varsity squad for six years.



Right: Bears wrestler Thomas Bechtold leaves the mat grinning while Coach Bechtold imparts wisdom and a congratulatory pat on the back.



Left: Bear's grappler Eric Nord shakes hands with Coach Bechtold after a tough match. Bro' Tony Nord and Thomas Bechtold wait to congratulate Eric.



Above Left: Courageous Varsity 103 pounder Tim Klein watches his teammates' matches. In the background, Paul Bechtold intently gazes at the action on the mat. Above Middle: 112 pounder Tony Nord shakes hands with Coach Bechtold. Nord qualified for State last season, and has had a great '96-'97 season. Above Right: Dan Juelson rehydrates himself after a hard fought match. Juelson wrestled well all year, despite injuries such as being bitten!

Cheerleading/Danceline



Wrestling Cheerleaders

S. Gustafson, R. Bauer, F. Bolechowski.



Danceline

A. Patton, J. Abner, A. Patton, C. Fayville, M. Fayville, M. Burmeister, B. Andler.



A very serious G. Kovar concentrates on cheering her team on to victory.



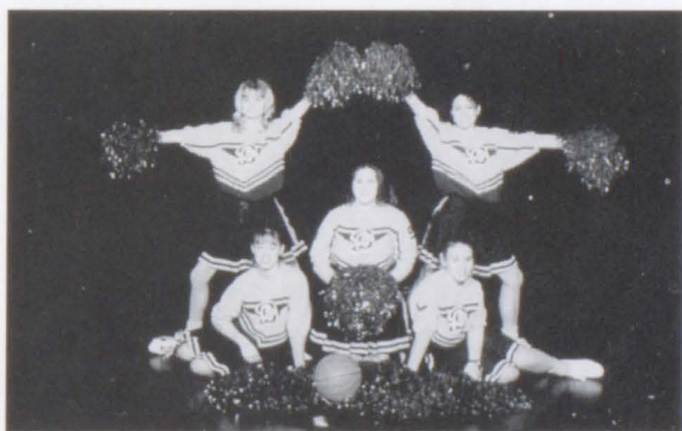
Football Cheerleaders

Top Row: H. Abner, J. Abner. Middle Row: P. Grundmeier, Duck, M. Alvarado. Bottom Row: J. Pilecki, J. Wernberg.



Cheerleader Alternates

G. Kovar, N. Mistic, N. Krueth.



Boys Basketball

Top Row: W. Sorquist, C Fayville, Bottom Row: B. Carlson, A. Johnson, H. Martinez.

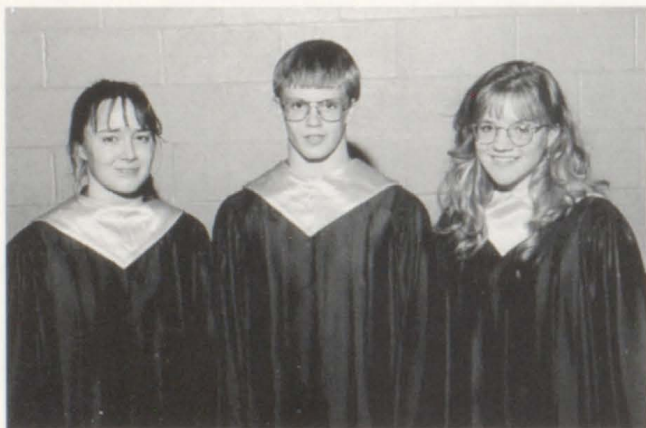
Choir...

Senior High Choir



Front Row: L. Krueger, M. Hower, J. Nelson, S. Lahr, S. Strand, S. Murray, S. Gustafson, S. Sunell, S. Freeman, D. Sizer. Second Row: Director Mrs. Becky Haugen, D. Salmonson, B. Bodien, B. Andler, J. Abner, N. Krueth, H. Abner, F. Bolechowski, A. Bilinski, K. McDermott, L. Supan. Third Row: M. Powers, A. Zeller, H. Yerbich, A. Sachau, N. Mistic, W. Sorquist, M. Fayville, J. Yerbich, S. Tindell, A. Jirik, A. Joy. Fourth Row: K. Gieser, A. Nelson, S. Peasley, A. Theisen, S. McDermott, M. Ruzicka, T. Nord, E. Lockhart, J. Vernlund, W. Therriault. Fifth Row: T. Bechtold, P. Grundmeier, D. Nelson, G. Hazelton, J. Tillisch, Paul Falk, D. Fogelquist, C. Harding, B. Nelson.

Senior High Choir Officers



Senior high choir officers: Adrienna Jirik, historian; Tony Nord, secretary/treasurer; Janina Abner, president.

Pop Choir



First Row: S. Freeman, S. Sunell. Second Row: L. Supan, A. Jirik, H. Abner, K. McDermott, S. Murray. Third Row: J. Abner, E. Lockhart, T. Nord, M. Fayville. Fourth Row: S. McDermott, B. Nelson, C. Harding, T. Bechtold, A. Nelson.

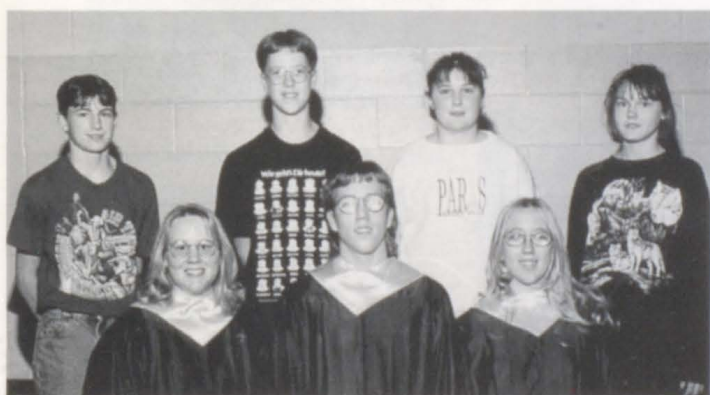
...Just Sang It!

Junior High Choir



Sitting: D. Alvarado, J. Chesley, R. Pilecki. Front Row: C. Abner, S. Nelson, N. Bolechowski, A. Humble, B. Erickson, S. Gustafson, L. Sachau, D. Alvarado, S. Nestberg, J. Freyholtz, M. Wade. Second Row: T. Houle, C. Hatton, M. Burmeister, B. Pater, A. Mystic, T. Freeman, C. Scheldrup, D. Loeken, A. Kiewatt, A. Grundmeier, L. Sachau. Third Row: D. Exner, B. Lahr, A. Krueth, S. Medecke, J. Switajski, J. Hanks, T. Webber, J. Chesley, S. Smith, C. Scifres, H. Engberg. Fourth Row: L. Kocerek, L. Sunell, L. Raish, K. Nash, A. Mystic, R. Smith, S. Majava, C. Mastrud, S. Gross, A. Freeman, R. Cornell, H. Brambrink. Fifth Row: A. Nord, M. Bauer, B. Munoz, B. Fellows, K. Grundmeier, R. Anderson, T. Moen, M. Dickey, T. Johnson, K. Gross, K. McNeil.

Honor Choir



Front Row: L. Supan, S. McDermott, K. McDermott. Second Row: B. Pater, B. Fellows, A. Nord, T. Moshier.



Choir students Nathan Deno, Janina Abner, and Adrienna Jirik entertained at the Snowweek Coronation.

Blackduckling: They got the writing done!

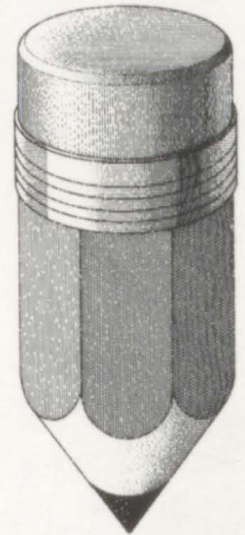


First Row: B. Nelson, A. Jirik. Second Row: A. Sachau, W. Sorquist. Third Row: T. Bechtold, L. LaTrace, S. Mourer, L. Ness, S. Murray, T. Bechtold. Fourth Row: H. Yerbich, J. Yerbich.

Upward Bound



Front Row: C. Hurt, E. Dalton, B. Mitchell. Back Row: M. Shaw, M. Binkley.
The program Upward Bound is designed to give students whose parents haven't gone to college a positive experience with higher education.



Boys and Girls State

Alternate R. Nord

Boys and Girls State is an opportunity for high school juniors to experience a working government. Sponsored by the local American Legion, selected juniors are treated to an educational fun-filled week during summer vacation.

Girl's State S. Houseman

Alternate J. Wernberg

Not pictured:
Boy's State N. Deno



C.A.R.E.

The C.A.R.E. Core Group



Front Row One: S. Freeman, T. Bechtold, T. Rockensock, A. Sachau, A. Jirik, L. Krueger.
 Second Row: S. Anderson, S. Houseman, C. Christenson, D. Anderson, R. Tennant, F. Christenson, L. Ness. Back Row: J. Hanson, D. Moen, S. Bogart, T. Bechtold, N. Bennett, J. Corner. The members that are not pictured are N. Deno, S. Merrill, J. Pilecki, E. Van Tassel, K. Jedlicka, C. Tjepkes.



Megan Meade relaxes in the band room after strenuously playing a clarinet exercise.

C.A.R.E. provides a place for students to have fun without the influence of chemicals. C.A.R.E. is open to any student who signs a contract saying he or she will remain chemically free for the entire year. C.A.R.E. offers open gyms after the fall and winter activities. C.A.R.E. students plan trips to Valley Fair, baseball games, and other trips during the spring. In the future they plan to have even more activities.



H. Page and R. Tennant cuddle in the halls.



F. Wizner, M. Thrall, and G. Freyholtz enjoy playing basketball at an open gym.

Just Did It; Caught in the Action



Tony Corner and Brandon Ferdig cordially meet in the hall after school.



Megan Ruzicka and Sara Gustafson watch the dance floor in amazement.



It must have been a good day at school because, Christa Fayville, Shannon Murray, and Sarah Mourer are all smiling.



Clark Christenson reluctantly smiles for the camera.



Mark Wernberg gives himself a pat on the back while Anton Jirik stares off into space.

Blackduck Bands

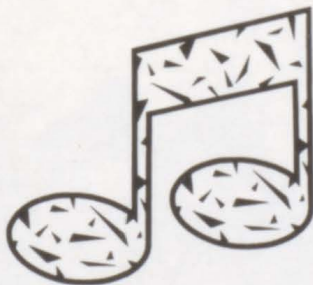
Junior High. . .



First Row: J. Pilecki, L. Sachau, J. Young, A. Grundmeier, B. Erickson, A. Humble, J. Ferrell, L. Sachau, A. Wallin. Second Row: T. Klein, T. Moshier, S. Gustafson, J. Leach, B. Pater, T. Novak, M. Burmeister, F. Rutledge, S. Smith, D. Exner, A. Kreuth. Third Row: J. Addler, J. Switajski, S. Majava, M. Sandmeyer, A. Nord, L. Sunell, A. Jirik, G. Freyholtz, N. Joy, T. Watkins, K. McNeil, Mr. Weaver. Fourth Row: J. Dietrich, B. Fellows, C. Collison, M. Nelson, T. Moen, P. Bechtold, J. McKean, K. Eisenrich, J. Ferdig.



Left: J. Wernberg: Who could ask for anything more? Above: The five saxes W. Sorquist, G. Kovar, T. Bechtold, M. Wallin, and S. Gross playin' away at pep band. Right: Clairinetists S. Murray and K. Meade look rather frustrated, while flutists A. Davis and A. Theisen continue to play. Below: J. Pilecki and S. Gross enjoy themselves before pep band.





First Row: J. Wernberg, J. Pilecki, S. Murray, M. Meade, T. Bechtold, A. Jirik. Second Row: L. Ness, R. Brambrink, B. Fowler, A. Moshier, K. Meade, H. Yerbich, T. Nord, C. Christenson, J. Baggenstoss. Third Row: S. Gustafson, T. Bohan, T. Bechtold, J. Verlund, M. Henriksen, T. Nordlund, H. Page, S. Gross, R. Bauer. Fourth Row: B. Frenzel, J. Waller, J. Supan, C. Waller, C. Bauer, N. Bennett, P. Sorquist, D. Anderson, S. Bogart, A. Pomp. Fifth Row: Mr. Weaver, J. Ross, B. Ferdig, M. Ruzicka, M. Fayville, K. Jedlicka.



Left: A. Jirik: caught by the camera! Bodien: has a stare-down with the photographer.

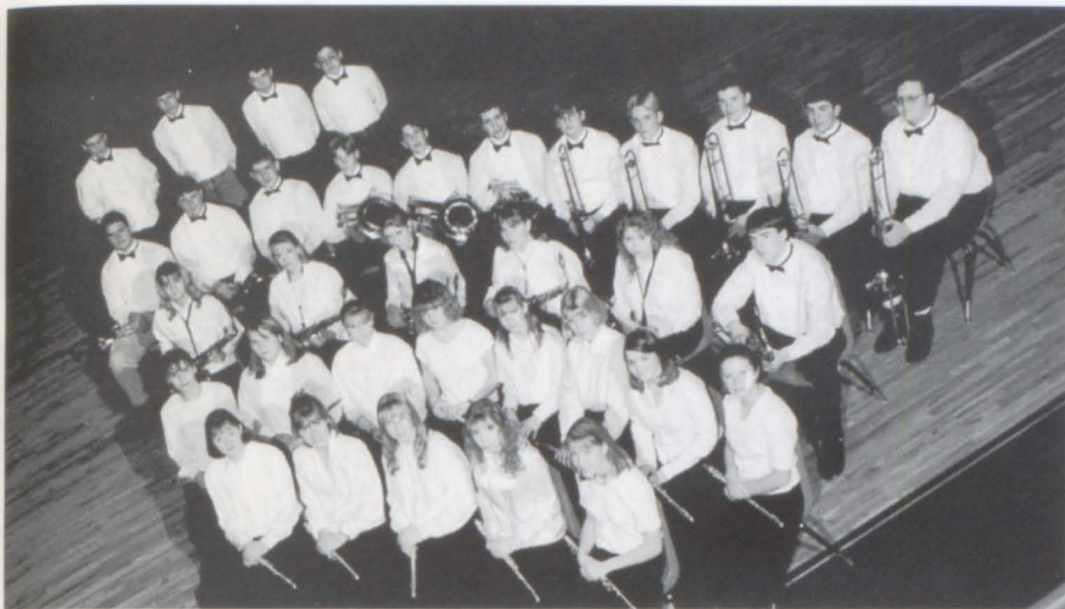


Jazz Band: Did it for the first time this year!

First Row: J. Baggenstoss, T. Anderson, A. Balsiger, S. Murray, K. Meade. Second Row: R. Nord, A. Jirik, T. Bechtold, S. Gross, H. Page, M. Henriksen, G. Kovar, B. Ferdig, Mr. Weaver. Third Row: N. Lien, A. Jirik, J. Wernberg, P. Palmer. Fourth Row: S. Bogart, D. Anderson, P. Sorquist, R. Tennant, T. Corner, A. Winkelman, N. Bennent, E. Bodien.



Bands!

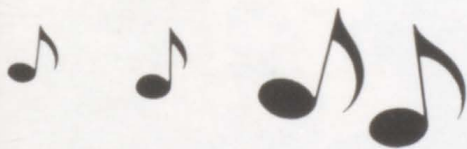


First Row: N. Mistic, C. Tjepkes, B. Nelson, P. Palmer, T. Rockensock. Second Row: T. Peterson, S. Knutson, A. Thiesen, A. Davis, N. Krueth, J. Yerbich, F. Boleckoski, S. Sunell. Third Row: W. Sorquist, A. Zeller, G. Kovar, L. Wallin, L. Andresen, S. Addler. Fourth Row: N. Lien, D. Wallin, B. Curran, A. Nelson, C. Harding, R. Tennant, T. Corner, M. Sanbo, A. Winkelman, C. Nord, E. Bodien. Fifth Row: E. Nord, B. Joy, M. Wernberg, A. Jirik.



Above: H. Page and N. Deno: Beauty and the Beast? You decide! Right: K. Meade gives that special person off camera "thumbs up" while T. Bohan tries, and fails, to hide from the camera, and H. Yerbich shows her delight at being in band.

Senior High Band Council



First Row: S. Addler, J. Pileki, S. Bogart. Second Row: D. Anderson, T. Rockensock, J. Wernberg, R. Tennant.

Below: Mr. Weaver, a new teacher at Blackduck, added his personal touch to the band, not only with new concert and pep band attire but also with new and more challenging music. E. Bodien listens intently to some of Mr. Weaver's new ideas.



FFA

A versatile group

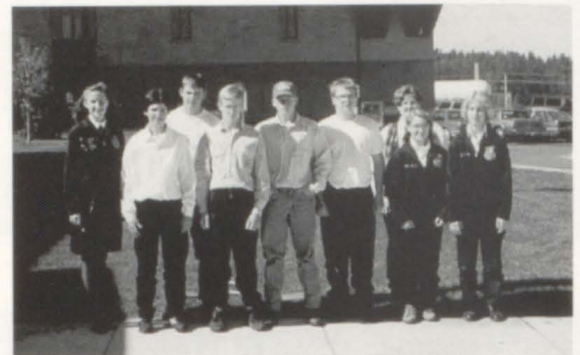
FFA OFFICERS



Back Row: Nate Bennett, Jessica Pilecki, Rachael Mistic, and Robby Tennant. Front Row: Chuck Nelson, Chad Nord, and Bryan Curran.



Daryl Wallin is peacefully fishing all by himself.



H. Yerbich, J. Hanson, T. Nord, A. Nelson, G. Freyholtz, S. Tindell, L. Krueger, and J. Yerbich chat with a National FFA officer.



Jessica Pilecki and Rachael Mistic cooking on the FFA camping trip.



Nick Lien keeps himself busy and amused.



Front Row: R. Nord, S. McDermott, R. Mistic, V. Brambrink, H. Page, A. Nelson, T. Nord, and B. Frenzel. Second Row: E. Nord, C. Bauer, E. Murray, P. Sorquist, J. Hanson, R. Tennant, W. Weinzetl, M. Burmeister, J. Pilecki, Advisor Mr. Friesen. Third Row: J. Freyholtz, C. Nord, B. Curran, J. Brambrink, D. Wallin, N. Bennett, D. Juelson, C. Nelson, and N. Lien. Back Row: L. Krueger, S. Strand, S. Tindell, H. Yerbich, and J. Yerbich.



FLA / FHA



Front Row: A. Sachau, J. Waller, M. Theisen, S. Gustafson. Second Row: N. Yerbich, B. Frenzel, A. Davis, B. Carlson, H. Page, T. Carrigan, F. Bolechowski, H. Abner, S. Sunell. Third Row: S. Freeman, B. Crabb, N. Krueth, M. Fayville, A. Zeller, W. Sorquist, N. Mystic, G. Kovar, S. Tindell. Fourth Row: Mrs. Deno, C. Tjepkes, B. Engberg, M. Henrikson, C. Bauer, L. Ness, K. Meade, L. Gieser, M. Ruzicka. Fifth Row: B. Ferdig, L. Backer, T. Corner, C. Adams, S. Merrill, J. Ross, A. Sandbo, P. Sorquist. Sixth Row: A. Balsiger, T. Anderson, J. Tillisch, S. Bogart, T. Grace, N. Bennett, D. Anderson, N. Lien.



Above: Brenda Carlson and Sara Gustafson face off as Scott Merrill watches in admiration.
Below: At Mrs. Deno's house the FLA/FHA officers make plans for the future. From left to right: Nate Deno, Nick Lien, Nate Bennett, Scott Merrill, Tim Grace, Bridget Engberg, Tony Corner and Mrs. Deno.

OFFICERS



Front Row: Tony Corner, Reporter; Nate Deno, President; Tim Grace, STAR Event Coordinator; Bridget Engberg, Treasurer; Cheryl Tjepkas, Region 9 Officer; Tori Carrigan, Historian. Back Row: Nate Bennett, Parliamentarian; Scott Merrill, Vice President; Mrs. Deno, Supervisor; Nick Lien, Secretary.



Above: Nate Bennett, Tony Corner and Cheryl Tjepkes demonstrate their table manners to Mr. Deno.
Below: Nick Lien, Tony Nord, Cheryl Tjepkes, Nate Deno, Sara Gross, Tim Grace and Tori Carrigan welcome fellow members at Mrs. Deno's house during the initiation picnic.



✓ German Club-A Culture Check ✓



Front Row: A. Lahr, S. Sunell, L. Supan, L. Andresen, J. Abner, A. Notch, D. Salmonson, A. Theisen. Second Row: H. Page, H. Martinez, P. Palmer, T. Carrigan, S. Hightshoe, M. Rodgers, R. Brambrink, S. Mourer, T. Bechtold, A. Jirik, Frau Slindee. Third Row: G. Blizil, K. Gieser, B. Crabb, A. Mystic, M. Henriksen, A. Zeller, R. Mystic, M. Theisen, E. Nord. Fourth Row: A. Alvarado, C. Tjepkes, S. Gross, L. Ness, B. Dalton, R. Tennant, J. Ruzicka, J. Kiewatt, M. Shaw, P. Sorquist. Fifth Row: L. LaTrace, N. Jackson, B. Joy, E. Bodien, T. Grace, N. Bennett, N. Lien, R. Sweedman, L. Lahr.

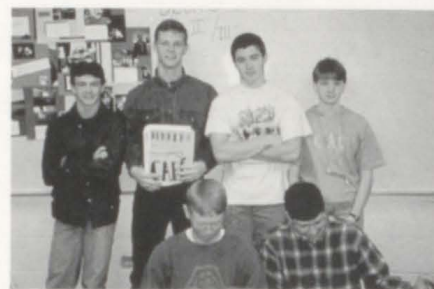


German Club Officers: G. Blizil, President; P. Sorquist, Vice President; E. Bodien, Treasure; and T. Bechtold, Secretary.

✓ Check out these German Club Students acting out their restaurant skits ✓



At Left: L. Ness, M. Theisen, and P. Sorquist break school rules, but not "German Rules."



At Right: E. Nord, J. Ruzicka, C. Young, T. Carrigan, C. Crowson, and B. Joy, the six "Marketeers."



At Left: T. Grace, S. Gross, R. Mystic, A. Mystic all dressed up and nowhere to go.



At Right: M. Shaw, R. Sweedman, L. LaTrace, and K. Gieser try to look innocent.



At Left: N. Jackson, J. Kiewatt, and E. Van Tassel are all excited about their restaurant or maybe its just because they love German so much.



At Right: M. Meade, E. Bodien, and T. Bechtold, look very happy and business-like.

RIVERWATCH ✓



M. Mead and G. Blizyl hard at work saving Blackduck's water supply.

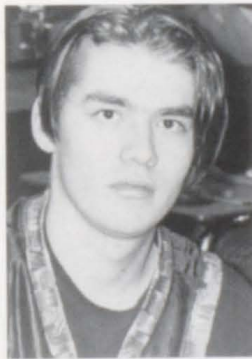


E. Bodien, N. Benett, F. Christianson, G. Blizyl

Native American Club



Gia Atkinson, jammin' to the school song?



A studious Lee Iceman pays close attention to the camera.



Front Row: D. Johnson, F. Bellanger, C. Hatton, N. Guinn, S. Mack, A. Kingbird, J. Chesley, C. King. Second Row: Z. Therriault, S. Williams, B. Hislaw, C. Rederth, L. Therriault, K. Atkinson, N. Beaudreau, A. Kingbird, W. Therriault, C. Charwood. Third Row: L. Raisch, F. Skinaway, K. Urrutia, L. Iceman, D. Nelson, J. Rederth, C. Miettinen, T. Loeken, B. Munoz. Fourth Row: T. Hoyle, T. Bellanger, G. Atkinson, J. Heyer, T. Goodstar, R. Bryan, J. Urrutia, T. Nelson, J. Chesley.

National Honor Society



Front Row: M. Meade, T. Bechtold, A. Jirik, E. Nord. Back Row: R. Nord, G. Blizyl, T. Rockensock, S. Houseman, N. Deno.

New Members



Left to Right: A. Jirik, T. Bechtold, M. Meade, E. Nord.



At Far Left: Adrienna Jirik and Teresa Bechtold plead with Flann Christensen to let them use the camera.
Middle: Nate Deno, A future King of Blackduck ?
Right: Ryan Nord enjoys the food and company at the NHS banquet.

Math League

Front Row: N. Bennett, M. Meade, T. Bechtold, R. Nord.
Back Row: T. Bechtold, L. LaTrace, C. Harding, N. La-Trace.



Not Pictured:
Adrienna Jirik

Unified Bowling



Starting from left: The Unified Bowling team is S. Pater, K. Leinbach, J. Halvorson, K. Jedlicka, T. Stenson, B. Crabb, A. Phinney, S. Mourer, L. Lahr, K. Brogan, B. Rockensock, S. Gross, D. Freyholtz, P. Sorquist, D. Bergren.

S.O.S.



Students Offering Support

Leslie Ness, Becky Crabb, Marcia Shaw, are the S.O.S members. S.O.S. is a group of students that offer support to other students going through tough times by listening and directing them to other solutions.



Peer Tutor

The Peer Tutors are David Pater and Flann Christenson. The Peer Tutor program is students helping other students with School work.

Drama

Twain & Shakespeare. . . did them both in the same year! ✓

Fall Play



Sitting: A. Bilinski, A. Sachau, Mr. Houseman, S. Murray, S. McDermott. Kneeling: S. Merrill, S. Houseman, J. Corner, B. Nelson, K. McDermott, M. Henriksen, P. Sorquist, A. Zeller. Standing: R. Sweedman, S. Bogart, K. Gieser, L. LaTrace, T. Bechtold, D. Anderson, T. Corner, E. Bodien, N. LaTrace. Sitting on set: A. Balsiger, J. Baggenstoss, G. Kovar, L. Krueger, K. Jedlicka, W. Sorquist, S. Gustafson, S. Nelson. Standing on set: N. Mystic, J. Abner, B. Ferdig, L. Gieser, T. Bechtold, A. Jirik, P. Bechtold, H. Brambrink. Not pictured: J. Peterson, C. Carlson, K. Jedlicka, L. Lahr, S. Mourer.

One Act



Above First Row: H. Brambrink, D. Alvarado, C. Tjepkes, S. Gross. Second Row: T. Bechtold, P. Sorquist, J. Abner, B. Ferdig. Third Row: Mr. Kovar, F. Christenson, A. Balsiger, E. Bodien, L. LaTrace. Not pictured: B. Nelson, T. Corner, A. Zeller. Pictured Below: B. Ferdig rushes to the rescue of B. Nelson.

Right: A. Jirik, B. Nelson, T. Bechtold, and N. Mystic mourn the "loss" of their beloved Tom, Huck, and Joe. Below: B. Ferdig (Huck), P. Bechtold (Tom), and T. Corner (Joe) get their lines down.



Just did it: Knowledge Bowl answers questions in 15 seconds!



Last year's Varsity Knowledge Bowl team consisting of Bergetta Dietel, Teresa Bechtold, Megan Meade, Anthony Balsiger and Eero Bodien made it to Regions last year under the guidance of Coach Fenske.

Front Row: L. Krueger, H. Yerbich, B. Frenzel. Sitting: L. Lahr, R. Sweedman, R. Tennant, N. Lien, L. Latrace, M. Sandbo. Second Row: T. Corner, C. Christenson, N. Bennett, S. Bogart, E. Bodien, P. Sorquist, M. Henrikson. Third Row: J. Bagginstoss, Coach Fenske, A. Balsiger, B. Ferdig, K. Meade, J. Abner. At the top: T. Bechtold, B. Nelson, M. Meade.

Speaking is what we do!



The Speech team welcomed five Regional placewinners back this year, with Jacob Kovar who earned a fifth in Great Speeches, Brandon Ferdig, fourth in Humorous; Adrienna Jirik, fourth in Informative; Teresa Bechtold, third in Discussion; and Nate Deno, third in Prose.

First Row: S. Murray, H. Brambrink, J. Abner, K. McDermott, F. Bolechowski. Second Row: N. Mystic, W. Sorquist, L. Backer, S. McDermott, M. Meade, C. Tjepkes, K. Meade, K. Gieser, G. Kovar, B. Nelson. Third Row: Coach Kovar, T. Bechtold, B. Ferdig, T. Corner, P. Sorquist, L. Lahr, L. Ness, M. Henrikson, A. Zeller, J. Kovar. Back Row: R. Sweedman, N. Bennett, A. Balsiger, S. Bogart, T. Bechtold, E. Bodien, D. Anderson, L. Latrace.

STUDENT COUNCIL...Yep, We Did All That!

Hello! It's us. Yea, us! The Blackduck High Student Council. We're happy to serve the student body, school, and community...especially when cooperation, teamwork, spirit, and trust are within everyone's self to make a particular event as special as possible. That's what we're all about. Just a few events sponsored by the Student Council include dances, Snowweek, pep fests, and food drives. At right, Student Council members, who made them all happen! Front Row: Seniors Jessica Pilecki, Scott Merrill, and Joni Wernberg. Second Row: Juniors Rebeccah Nelson, Teresa Bechtold, and Adrienna Jirik. Third Row: Sophomores Cheryl Tjepkes, Pol Sorquist, Mark Sandbo, and Jeremy Finklin. Fourth Row: Freshmen Dustin Anderson, Wendy Sorquist, and Thomas Bechtold. Fifth Row: Eighth Graders Kelly Eisenrich and Keelia McNeil. Sixth Row: Seventh Graders Jamie Young, Paul Bechtold, and Rachel Pilecki. Not pictured: Junior Megan Meade, Senior Nathan Deno, and Eighth-Grader Joshua Ziegler.



LifeSmarts



Sitting: C. Tjepkes, N. Lien, N. Yerbich. Standing: S. Bogart, Mrs. Deno, N. Bennett.

A new area of competition sponsored by the Minnesota Attorney General's office resulted in a lot of success for five Blackduck Students. The competition quizzed students in many different consumer areas. After Blackduck's Lifesmarts team won the state competition, they took second in the national competition held in Washington, D.C., and then went onto International competition hosted in London, England.

Yearbook:

We Just Did It!



Front Row: T. Bechtold, F. Christenson, B. Nelson. Second Row: B. Engberg, G. Blizil. Third Row: Ms. Rivard, R. Sweedman, L. LaTrace. Fourth Row: L. Andresen, K. Gieser, T. Carrigan, D. Sizer. Not pictured: R. Nord, A. Jirik, H. Page.



Above: B. Engberg wonders how sane the photographer really is.



R. Nord: yearbook deadlines are sooo stressful!

“Just Did It” was the theme the yearbook staff came up with after quite a battle (in the end we gave it to the seniors to decide). The cover and theme were among the many things that had to be overcome this year, but it wasn't all work and no play, as anyone who visited the library on the night of our celebratory pizza party could tell you. After everything that happened this year, good, bad, and ugly, we managed to get the 1996-97 Blacquill finished without any major disasters. ✓



R. Sweedman smuggles some cake during a Yearbook meeting.

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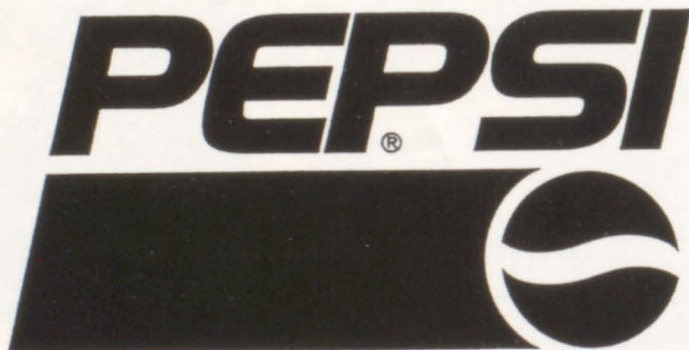
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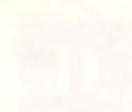
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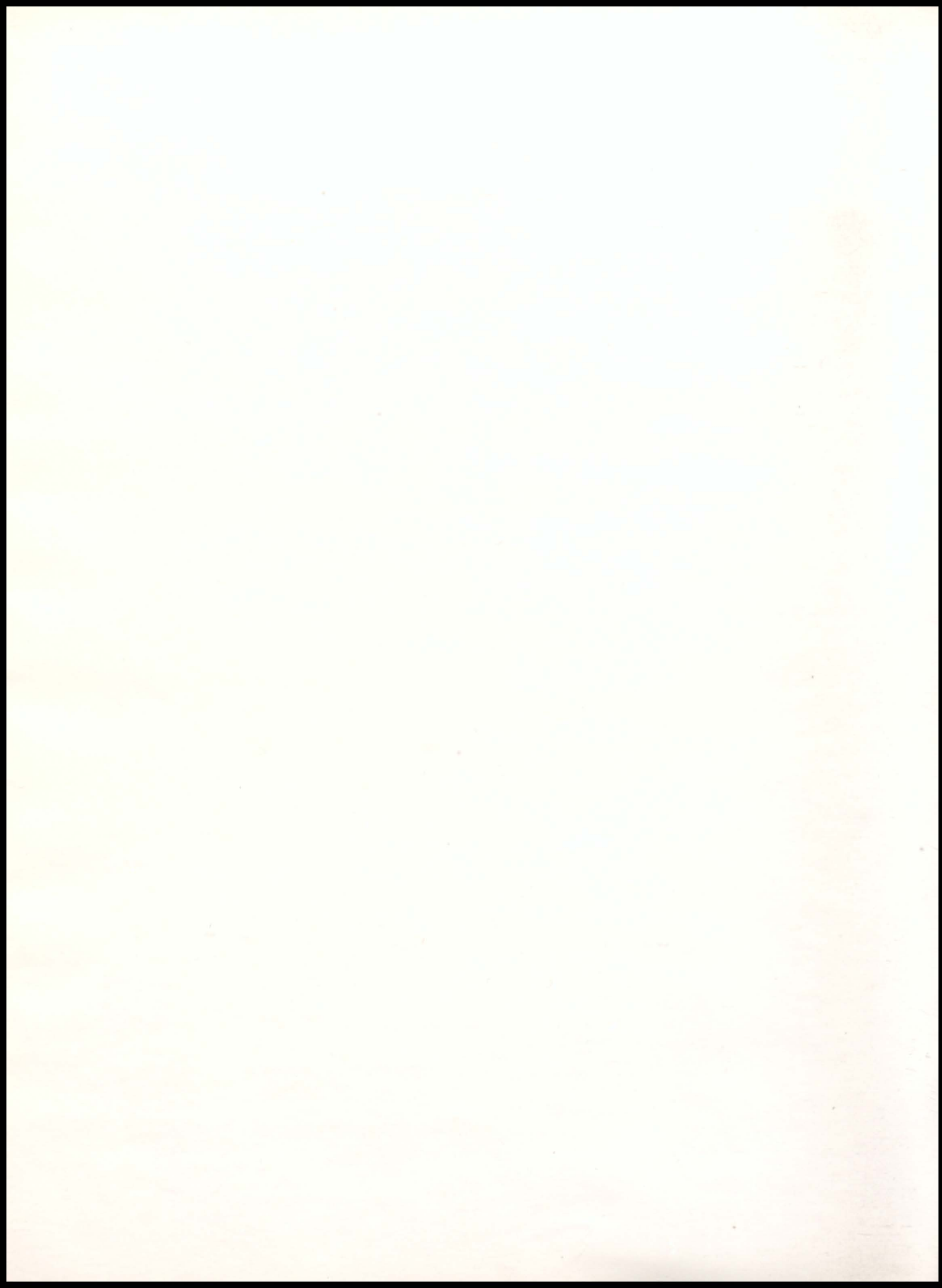


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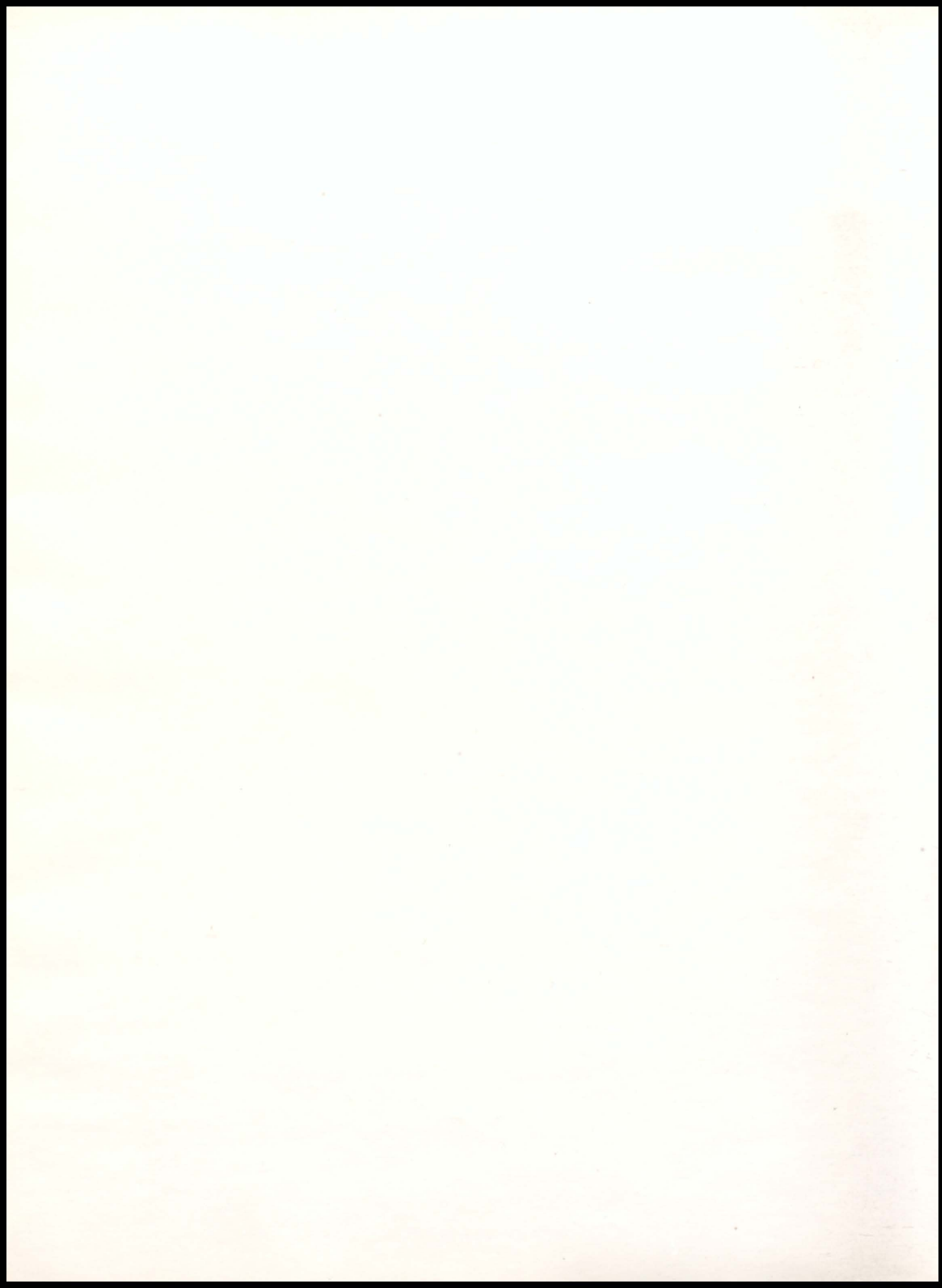
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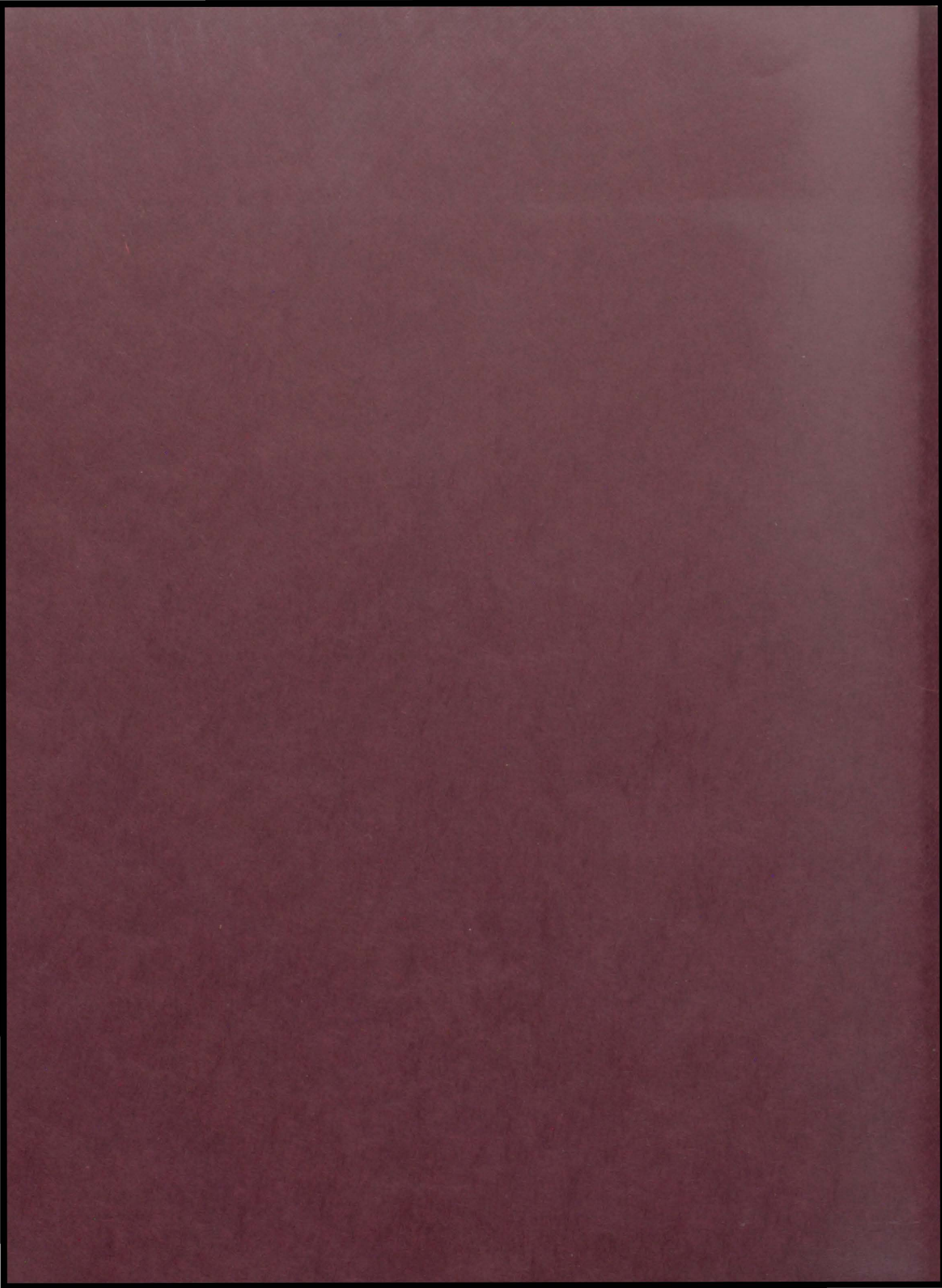


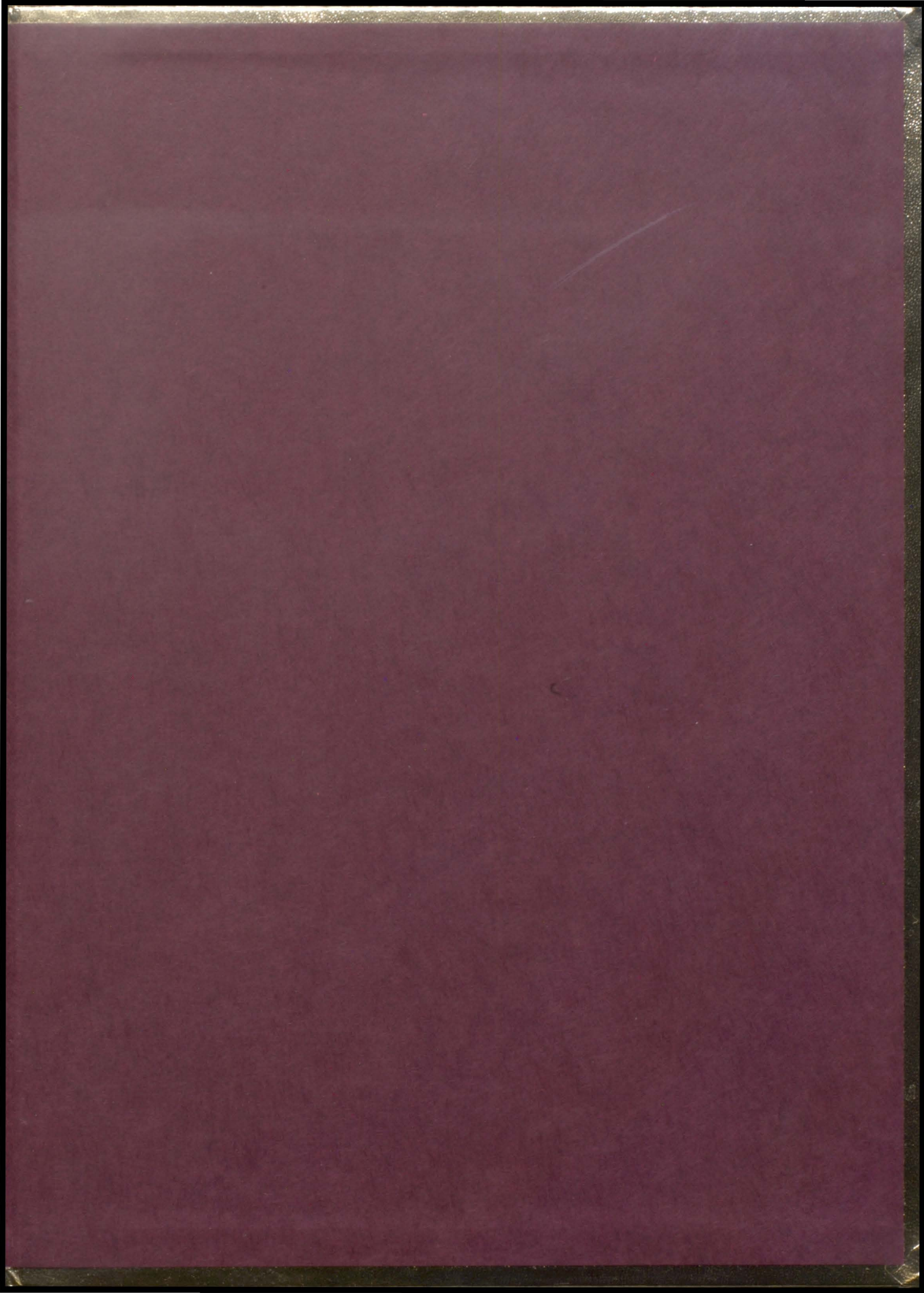












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